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ANIMAL CARE AND USE PROGRAM

Cage Capacity - Mice

1. **PURPOSE:** To establish policy for maximum number of mice in cages within the Veterinary Medical Unit.

2. **POLICY:**

a. The maximum number of mice in VMU mouse cage:

(1) Four mice **OR**

(2) One male and one female with litter (which must be weaned in a timely manner to prevent two litters in the cage) **OR**

(3) One female with litter **OR**

(4) Two females and two litters (but no male) if the total number of pups does not exceed ten

3. **RESCISSION:** Research Service Memorandum 06-14, dated September 8, 2006.



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