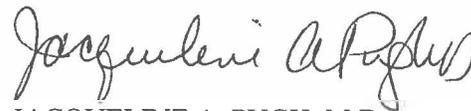


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ANIMAL CARE AND USE PROGRAM

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 10-14, dated September 10, 2010.
4. **RECERTIFICATION:** January 2021



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