

Bioprotection Plan: Rabbits

Prior to arrival:

Animals must be received from an approved vendor with appropriate testing performed.

Upon arrival:

Animals arriving from a vendor may be placed directly in the animal room. Animal care staff should note the general health and appearance of the animals. If any animals are found with health issues, an AHEF should be sent to the investigator and LAP veterinary staff.

LAP veterinary staff will briefly assess the animals within one day of arrival for the following:

- a. Obvious signs of illness (e.g. conjunctivitis, abnormal fur coat, pododermatitis, malocclusion)
- b. Sex
- c. Body condition score

Preventative Maintenance Plan:

Daily: Observations

Monthly: Toenails will be trimmed monthly. Training rabbits will be weighed monthly.

Semi-annually: Body condition scores will be performed at least every 6 months.

Annually: Rabbits that are housed for over a year will have an annual physical exam performed. Feces and fur swabs from each animal will be collected and pooled annually and submitted for rodent pinworm and fur mite testing.

Purdue Rabbit Excluded Agents

Pasteurella multocida

Bordetella bronchiseptica

Rodent pinworms

Rodent fur mites

Pasteurella pneumotropica

Streptococcus pneumonia

Treponema cuniculi

Clostridium piliforme

CAR Bacillus

Salmonella spp.

Encephalitozoon cuniculi

Eimeria stiedae (hepatic coccidia)

Toxoplasma gondii

Passalurus ambiguous

PIV-1

PIV-5 (Formerly PIV-2)

REO

RHDV

Psoroptes cuniculi

Cheyletiella parasitovorax

Leporacarus (Formerly Listrophorus) gibbus

Dermatomycosis