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Developmental Therapeutics Program

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## LABORATORY ANIMALS AVAILABLE TO GRANTEES, CONTRACTORS, AND OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES PRODUCED BY THE NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE ANIMAL PROGRAM

The National Cancer Institute (NCI), Biological Testing Branch (BTB) operates and administers the Animal Production Program utilizing contracts with independent animal production firms for space and labor to maintain **government-owned animal colonies**. These government colonies are completely separate and independent of any commercial colonies maintained by these companies. All breeding stock is supplied to these NCI animal contractors and such stock remains the property of the government.

Surplus animals are available to Government funded Grantees and Contractors, as well as other Government Agencies. Several strains, for which this program is the sole source, are available to commercial research laboratories.

All orders must be placed with our office at NCI and we instruct our contractors to make the shipment. Thus, the invoices are generated by our contractors who are under contract to produce, ship, invoice and collect for all animals sent to grantees. Most institutions make the purchase order out to NCI in care of Charles River Laboratories. At the time an order is placed, our office can tell you from which contract facility your order will be shipped. Orders can be placed either by **telephone 301-846-1151**, or by **fax 301-846-1694**.

Animals supplied from the NCI Contract Animal Production Program can come from any of the below listed contract locations as directed by the NCI Project Officer.

## CONTRACTOR

Charles River Laboratories Federal I.D.# 760509980

## FACILITIES FROM WHICH ANIMALS ARE SHIPPED AND BILLED

Kingston, New York Raleigh, North Carolina Wilmington, Massachusetts NCI-Frederick, Frederick, Maryland

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To maintain the health and genetic profile of these colonies, the NCI has an extensive quality control program to monitor the contract maintained rodents. These rodents are maintained in defined-flora isolators and barrier rooms. To determine the profile of these animals, monitoring contracts are maintained as follows:

Dr. Cynthia Besch-Williford University of Missouri Receives animals weekly for complete health profile (parasitology, virology, pathology, bacteriology).

Mr. Peter Gorelick
Animal Health Diagnostic Laboratory
NCI-Frederick
Receives animals weekly for complete health profile
(parasitology, virology, pathology, bacteriology).

Dr. Elizabeth Bryda
University of Missouri
Receives animals weekly for DNA-based genetic testing to confirm genetic purity.

The results of all the above testing are maintained in the office of Linda Blumenauer at the NCI-Frederick (301-846-1153 or 301-846-1151).

Updated health reports can be accessed through the World Wide Web at: http://web.ncifcrf.gov/research/animal\_production\_program

Attached, please find a new price list that is effective for all orders shipped on/after May 5, 2008. Prices include all delivery and boxing charges to Users' Laboratory within the United States. A minimum order surcharge may be added to some orders to cover the cost of shipping. **Overseas shipments will be charged for delivery/shipping costs.** All animals are shipped in filtered cartons, and most shipments are made in environmentally-controlled trucks.

Sincerely,

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