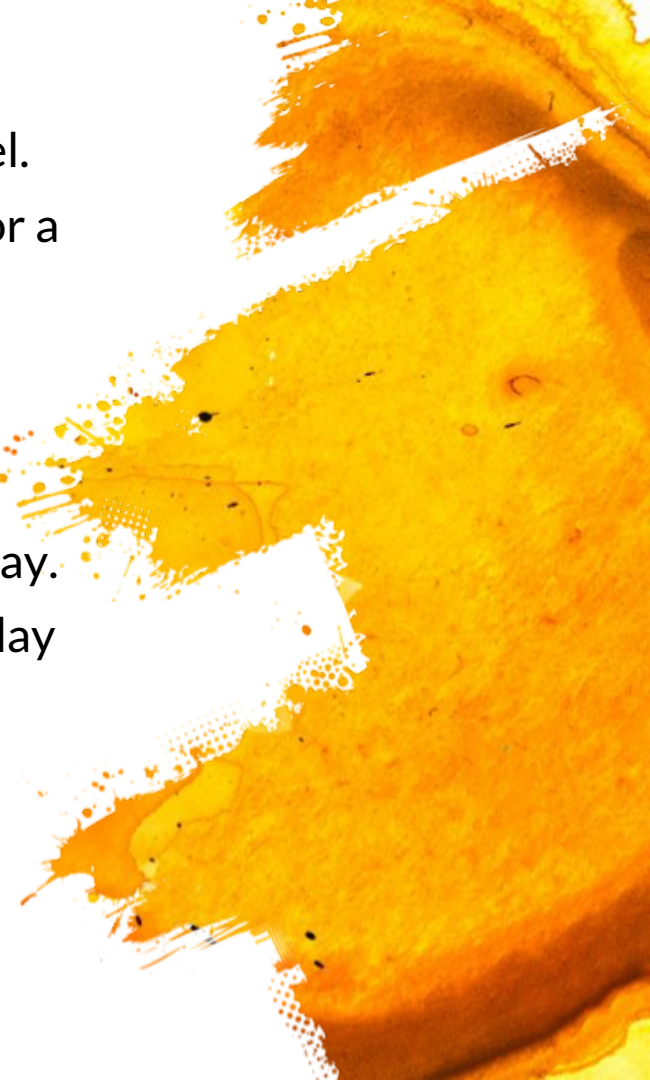




STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE (SOP) FOR ANIMAL CARE

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1. Animal holding area is to be accessed by authorized personnel or those accompanying authorized personnel.
2. Newly procured animals are to be kept in quarantine for a minimum period of 10 days.
3. The animals are to be housed in appropriate cages.
4. The rodents are to be segregated based on gender, and has to be housed in cages in groups of four to six.
5. The veterinary care of the animals is to be done everyday.
6. The animal attendee has to monitor the animals everyday regarding general health and illness.
7. The animal attendee should inform veterinarian immediately of any sick animals.
8. Sick animals are to be housed in isolation.



9. Handling of animals, cleaning the cages and changing the corn cob bedding has to be done only after wearing mask and rubber gloves.

10. Cleaning of cages and changing the corn cob bedding should be done once in three days or according to the requirement.

11. Keep the noise to a minimum inside the animal housing area.

12. Bottles and sippers should be refilled every day and the feeding bottles have to be cleaned every two days.

13. Cleaning of the animal house has to be done everyday.



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