

Health Monitoring Program

The health monitoring program at Oriental BioService, Inc. and its affiliates consists of daily observation of animals and the use of sentinel animals.

Every animal is observed daily, seven days a week, by husbandry personnel. Any abnormality or death in an animal is reported verbally and in writing through the use of a Morbidity/Mortality report form. The clinical veterinarian is contacted and delegates action to be taken accordingly (early euthanasia, necropsy, etc.).

Sentinel animals are placed in all animal holding rooms. Soiled bedding is randomly selected from other cages in the room and placed in sentinel animal cages once weekly during the changing of cages. Sentinel animals are surveyed through the services of KITAYAMA LABES CO., LTD. The surveillance schedule is as follows:

Monthly

- ◆ Pseudomonas aeruginosa
- ◆ Pasteurella pneumotropica
- ◆ Salmonella spp.
- ◆ Citrobacter rodentium
- ◆ Corynebacterium kutscheri
- ◆ Clostridium pilferer
- ◆ Dermatophytes
- ◆ Mycoplasma spp.
- ◆ Sendai virus (HVJ)
- ◆ Mouse hepatitis virus
- ◆ Giardia muris
- ◆ Spironucleus muris
- ◆ Syphacia spp.

Quarterly

- ◆ Ectromelia virus
- ◆ Lymphocytic choriomeningitis
- ◆ Mouse adeno virus

Option

- ◆ Helicobacter spp. – other
- ◆ Other intestinal protozoa

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