### Loyola University Chicago Comparative Medicine Facility

# **Standard Operating Procedure**

SOP Number: 02-18-4440

Service: Research

Operating Section: Husbandry

Unit: CMF

Title: Cancer Center Irradiator Use

#### Purpose:

To establish procedures for moving rodents between the Cancer Center irradiator and general housing

#### Procedure:

- 1) Observe all posted gowning procedures prior to entering animal housing area.
- 2) Spray cart with disinfectant (provided in the room).
- 3) Spray wheels of cart with disinfectant while crossing room threshold.
- Pick up cages.
- 5) Move cart with cages into anteroom.
- 6) Cover cages and cart with appropriate drape while in antercom.
- 7) Spray drape with appropriate disinfectant (provided in room).
- 8) Move cart using designated routes.
- 9) Move cart directly to irradiator/central procedure room.
- 10) Outside procedure/irradiator room, spray drape again (in hallway).
- 11) Roll cart into the room; disinfect wheels while crossing the threshold.
- 12) Remove cover from animal cages.
- 13) Decontaminate the irradiator with appropriate disinfectant (provided in the room).
- 14) Handle mouse cages individually.
- Place cage and filter top in irradiator.
- Spray cage and cover while loading back on cart.
- 17) Clean irradiator and any benchwork used with appropriate disinfectant (provided in the room).
- 18) Cover cages and cart with appropriate drape(s) while in procedure room.

- 19) Spray cart wheels while crossing irradiator room threshold.
- 20) Roll cart into hallway and relocate animals to general housing room.
- 21) Change gowns and other posted PPE prior to re-entering housing area.
- 22) Spray drape and cart wheels while crossing threshold to housing area.
- 23) Remove cages, spray with disinfectant and replace onto ventilated racks.
- 24) Exit room as per normal.

## **APPROVALS**

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