



STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE #516 MARMOSSET CAGE CHANGING

1. PURPOSE

This Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) describes the procedure and frequency for marmoset cage changing.

2. RESPONSIBILITY

Animal care staff.

3. MATERIALS

- 3.1. Clean caging
- 3.2. Environmental enrichment
- 3.3. Transfer box
- 3.4. Hardwood shavings
- 3.5. Disposable cage liners
- 3.6. Visual barriers
- 3.7. Puncture resistant gloves
- 3.8. Cage cover
- 3.9. Disinfectant solution

4. PROCEDURES

- 4.1. Every 4 weeks enclosure changing procedures will alternate between a partial and a full enclosure changing procedure.
 - 4.1.1. Full enclosure changing procedure
 - 4.1.1.1. Select and transport clean caging to housing room.
 - 4.1.1.2. Assemble clean caging and inspect for damage. Add appropriate visual barriers, environmental enrichment, and clean bedding (hardwood shavings).
 - 4.1.1.3. Transfer animals via enclosure ports, transfer box, or hand-catching.
 - 4.1.1.4. Transfer the group identification card, water bottle(s), and food receptacles to the clean caging.
 - 4.1.1.5. Dispose of soiled bedding and material.
 - 4.1.1.6. Sanitize floors and walls surrounding the soiled enclosure with disinfectant solution.
 - 4.1.1.7. Cover soiled caging and environmental enrichment and transport to cage wash area.
 - 4.1.2. Partial enclosure changing procedure
 - 4.1.2.1. Select and transport clean environmental enrichment (hammocks, buckets), nest boxes, perches, cage liners (as necessary) and bedding.
 - 4.1.2.2. In the enclosure, remove all environmental enrichment, nest boxes, perches and bedding and

4.1.2.6.