

On February 10, 2021, the Yale IACUC approved an exception to the cage height of the primary enclosure for hamsters in the ABSL3 facility. These hamsters are housed in standard ventilated mouse enclosures with a 5" cage height. These hamsters were fully capable of making normal postural adjustments. Other hamsters in ABSL1 or ABSL2 facilities were housed in enclosures meeting specification described in Animal Welfare Regulation § 3.28.