

IACUC-Approved Exception to the AWA for FY2021:

Hamsters in ABSL3 facility will be housed in mouse cages with a height of 5 inches instead of 6 inches as described in AWA. This will be for a short period of time not exceeding two weeks. This exception was approved to allow hamsters to be housed in specialized biocontainment cages.

No hamsters were affected by this exception in FY2021.