

**The University of Kansas  
Animal Care Unit (ACU)**

**Integrated Pest Management Plan**

**1.0 Scope and Application**

Programs designed to prevent, control, or eliminate the presence of infestation by pests are essential in an animal environment. The ideal program prevents the entry of vermin and eliminates their harborage in the facility. The procedures outlined below detail pest control procedures for the KU-Lawrence Animal Care Unit.

**2.0 Summary of Method**

- Good housekeeping is a responsibility of all ACU employees. Proper sanitation reduces clutter and eliminates pest harborage. All building integrity issues should be reported promptly to the appropriate facility supervisor and relayed promptly to Facility Services.
- The ACU contracts with a local vendor to provide trained personnel to regularly apply pest treatment in ACU facilities, including animal rooms. Professional pest control services should be provided no less than twice annually. Whenever possible, nontoxic means of pest control, such as insect growth regulators and nontoxic substances, should be used. Research personnel must receive advance notice prior to pest treatment measures.
- Other pest control measures include use of insect glue traps and Sherman traps. Husbandry personnel must check Sherman traps daily.

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