



FACILITY OVERVIEW

CRADL™: The Charles River Accelerator and Development Lab

Located in downtown Cambridge, Massachusetts, CRADL™ offers turnkey rental vivarium space for emerging and well-established biotech companies. At CRADL™, researchers will find modern vivarium space fully staffed by Charles River personnel. We supervise the entire infrastructure and ensure compliance with all applicable regulations.

Facility

- 15,000 square feet
- Vivarium suites, holding rooms, and procedure rooms
- Private rooms of 125-250 square feet
- Suites include a procedure room and holding room
- Shared holding rooms for low-cost start-up
- Access to shared procedure rooms
- Holding room capacity for 176-352 mouse cages and 80-160 rat cages

Lease Terms

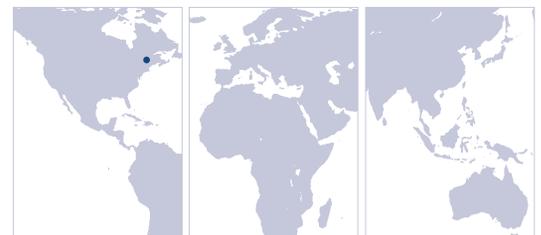
- Three-month, six-month, one-year, and three-year agreements

Staff

- Charles River animal care technicians (AALAS-certified)
- Veterinary and IACUC oversight teams, providing monthly program reviews
- Personnel present on site during core hours, including weekends and holidays
- CRADL management contacted for emergencies after core hours

Features and Services

- 24/7 year-round access to animal holding and procedure rooms
- Innovative irradiated IVC disposable caging
- Vivarium supplies and preventative maintenance
- Daily food, bedding, water, and general health checks using standard vivarium PPE
- Animal enrichment
- Cage changes every two weeks for mice and weekly for rats
- Access to a shared euthanasia machine with CO₂
- Frequent, scheduled cleaning and sanitation
- Conference room
- High-speed broadband Wi-Fi
- Vivarium orientation and training on safety and animal care and use policy
- Animal ordering/delivery
- Protocol writing assistance
- Individual keycard badge access to vivarium space



EVERY STEP OF THE WAY

Optional Services (available for additional fee)

- Technical study support (e.g., dosing by standard routes of administration, sample collection)
- IVIS imaging
- Customized health surveillance programs via Charles River 360 Diagnostics™
- Isoflurane anesthesia machine
- Supply ordering

Research Animal Specifications and Care

- Facility designed for mice and rats only
- Quarantine and PRIA screening required for incoming animals from noncommercial suppliers
- Routine animal health inspections
- Environmental health monitoring surveillance
- Vivarium health monitoring surveillance

Humane Care Initiative

Charles River is a worldwide leader in the humane care of laboratory animals. We work hand-in-hand with the scientific community to understand how living conditions, handling procedures, and stress play an important role in the quality and efficiency of research.