

Pregnant Animal Guarantee Policy

Charles River produces pregnant animals to your order specification. Most barrier-reared rats and mice can be safely and accurately palpated for pregnancy after 13 days of gestation. Prior to that, pregnancy is determined by observation of a vaginal plug. Following timed exposure to the male, the date the copulatory plug is found (plug date) is considered to be day one of gestation unless noted otherwise. For additional information and/or strain availability, contact the Client Relations Department at 1.800.LAB.RATS (1.800.522.7287).

Stock or Strain	PERCENT GUARANTEED PREGNANT		
	Timed Pregnant Up to 12 Days Gestation	Timed Pregnant 13 Days Gestation and Over	Untimed Pregnant 13-17 Days Gestation Only
Outbred rats	Plug guarantee only	100%	95%
Outbred mice	Plug guarantee only	100%	100%
Inbred rats and mice	Plug guarantee only	75%	75%
NZW rabbits	50%	100%	N/A

Note: We do not guarantee the number of offspring per litter. Due to natural variations in the length of gestation, the exact day of parturition is not guaranteed. To avoid charges, cancellations for pregnant animals must be received prior to the scheduled mating day.