

Wild mouse versus Laboratory mouse

Mouse Well-being Scale



In each of the categories give a score for each mouse, either plus or minus. You may feel that you do not know enough about either mouse to judge properly but you should allocate a score based on what you *think* each mouse experiences. Consider the laboratory mice to be living in an animal facility and that they are not part of an experiment.

The Five Freedoms	Wild	Laboratory
Freedom from hunger and thirst		
Freedom from discomfort		
Freedom from pain, injury and disease		
Freedom to express normal behaviours		
Freedom from fear and distress		
Total		

A second system of looking at the well-being of the two mice considers in more detail some of the parameters that affect their lives. The scoring system is the same as for the five freedoms.

	Wild	Laboratory
Food <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Quality ▪ Variety ▪ Availability 		
Water <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Quality ▪ Availability 		
Activity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Social <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Variety ○ Stress ▪ Physical <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Variety ○ Extent 		
Environment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Climate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Variation ○ Extremes ▪ Space <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Size ○ Complexity 		
Health <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Infections ▪ Injuries ▪ Deficiencies 		
Total		