FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS Richardson/ Kessaris mouse lines, University College London

STRAIN INFORMATION

- Q: Background strain of lines?
- A: Mixed C57BL6/ CBA background.
- Q: Which strain of mouse was used when the line was created?
- A: C57BL6/ CBA F1 hybrid.
- Q: What is the immune status of the mice?
- A: Normal.
- Q: Can the mice be anesthetized?
- A: Yes.
- Q: Can the mice be treated with fenbendazole and dichlorvos?
- A: Yes.

FACILITY INFORMATION

- Q: What type of facility are the mice housed in?
- A: Conventional facility with open top cages, without cage change station.
- Q: Is food and/or water autoclaved/irradiated?
- A: No, water is filtered and UV sterilised.
- Q: What protective clothing do the staff wear?
- A: Laboratory coats, gloves and shoe covers.
- Q: Are there any special provisions for these mice?
- A: No special housing or husbandry. No special diet or water. No autoclaved cages.

SENTINEL PROCEDURES

- Q: What are facility sentinel procedures?
- A: Sentinel animals are kept on soiled bedding. Screening is done every 6 months.