

ATTACHMENT 7
I&R FACULTY FTE BUDGET—ANIMAL CARE
For Appointment Year 2010-11

The Committee on Animal Research Space Assignment (CARSA) has alerted us that animal research space on campus is in a crisis situation. CARSA is an advisory committee under the purview of the Vice Chancellor for Research charged with recommending plans for accommodating requests for animal housing or procedure space. The space crunch has been emerging for a few years, but the recent hiring of animal researchers on campus, expansion of animal use by existing faculty, and planned construction on campus that will impact existing animal facilities has basically filled all the space currently available. The crunch is likely to be severe until completion of the planned Li Ka Shing Building (Warren Hall replacement) in several years.

Accommodation of new animal researchers may be possible depending on the space required and the type of animal research. To accommodate new users, CARSA is seeking funds to consolidate some existing animal space with purchases of high density caging.

Form II (current searches) and Form III (request for new positions) include space to indicate a need for animal space. Please indicate the need on these forms. If you are considering a request for a faculty position that involves animal research, CARSA urges you to discuss the specific plans as soon as possible with the Director of the Office of Laboratory Animal Care (OLAC) or the CARSA chair, Professor David Raulet if the director is not available. The meeting is designed to ascertain whether animal research space is likely to be a limitation. Once a search is ongoing, it is essential that the chair of the search committee be apprised of these issues and establish contact with OLAC or CARSA if the search is likely to identify animal researchers. It is a requirement that candidates who are animal users meet or discuss their needs as early in the process as possible. At the time of a candidate's first visit, search committee chairs must elicit from the candidate and provide the OLAC director or Chair Raulet with a description of the candidate's likely needs (type of animals, rough estimate of number of cages/animals to be housed and any dedicated animal research space requirements. It is essential that candidates meet with the OLAC director or Chair Raulet no later than the second visit to campus. Your success at finding space may depend on early notification of OLAC, because space will be committed on a first come first served basis. It is likely that it will not be possible to find animal research space on campus for at least some faculty candidates.

For further information on this issue, you can consult the OLAC Director at 643-9567 or Dr. David Raulet (Chair of CARSA at 642-9521, raulet@berkeley.edu).