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# **Massey Cancer Center Mouse Tracking Application Usage Guide**



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## Main View – Rack View:

### Overview:

This view is structured to represent one face of the racks that hold the cages where mice are stored in the clean room. Each cell represents a cage which is selectable. Cells display the cage's row and column information in its upper left-hand corner, i.e.) "1 : 1". The cells also display any alerts that are currently active on that particular cage in the form of colored dots in the upper right-hand corner. The color of the dots for each alert is selectable in the Settings page (See Settings View section of usage guide). Selecting a cage will display that particular cage's stored information in the proper view. In addition, to view other rack faces, swipe left or right anywhere on the screen. Note that the rack number indicator in the center at the top of the screen adjusts as you swipe left or right. Make sure that the racks are properly labeled to correspond with the naming convention used in the application, or that you are aware of where the rack face you are viewing in-app is the correct physical rack you are currently manipulating. For example, "Rack View 1" only displays the cages on one face of a physical rack in the clean room. "Rack View 2" would then be the opposite face of the rack the same rack.

### Cage Variations:

- **Blue Cages:** Represent cages used for breeding new mice.
- **Green Cages:** Represent cages used for holding mice for sale.
- **Grey Cages:** These are unused cells. New cages can be created here by tapping on the grey cell.

### Menu:

The menu button is located in the top left of the Rack View. Tapping this will display a menu with a number of options. Descending from the top of the options to the bottom, there is Logout, Alerts, Filter, Scan QR Code, and Settings.

- **Logout:** Returns you to the login screen.
- **Alerts:** Takes you to the Alerts View where you can view all alerts active on the cages in the database in a table format. (See Alerts View section of usage guide).

- *Filter*: This displays an additional menu in which you are able to select, from a drop-down menu, a filter to apply. Once you have selected a filter from the drop-down menu, press “Filter” below the drop-down menu to apply it. Note, filters cannot be stacked, meaning if you apply the “Breeding Cages” filter and then attempt to apply the “Male Too Old” filter, the application will not show breeding cages containing a male that needs to be euthanized due to old age. Instead, the “Breeding Cages” filter will highlight only breeding cages, and then once the “Male Too Old” filter is applied, it will deselect the previously highlighted breeding cages and instead highlight any cage containing a male that needs to be euthanized.
- *Scan QR Code*: This displays the QR code scanner. The application will require access to your device’s camera for this feature to function! Once the camera has opened, aim it at the QR code you wish to scan, the application will attempt to detect any QR code within view. Once a QR code is detected, the application will place a green border around it on screen. Note, please make sure the green border is around the QR code you wish to scan, if there are multiple QR codes within view, move the camera closer to ensure you are scanning the correct one. Once you are sure the application is scanning the right code, click the “Confirm” button in the bottom right-hand corner.
- *Settings*: This will bring up the view in which the applications settings can be altered. This may take a moment due to the amount of information that is being retrieved and the speed of your connection. Note, these settings are shared across all devices running this application! (See Settings View section of the usage guide for more information on this view).

#### Refresh View:

The refresh button is located in the top right of the Rack View. Tapping this button will cause the application to download all mouse information again, as well as refresh the depiction of racks across the application. This button can be used should there be any unforeseen issues in which cages/information is not being displayed properly for whatever reason. Also, in the case that there is another user working with the application on a separate device, it is advised to refresh the information frequently so that both your device, as well as theirs, is working with the most current information in the database.

#### Noteworthy Information:

- The application only checks for violations of inbreeding when moving males! The application will not check if a cage exists in the location you are trying to move another cage to. Meaning, if you have two cages, Cage A and Cage B. If cage A is located at row one column one of the first rack, and you manually manipulate B's location information to row one, column one of the first rack, the application will not stop you from doing so! You will then have two cages in that location which the app cannot display.
  - *Solution:* Scan one of the two cage's QR codes with the scanner accessible from the menu and then manually alter the scanned cages location information to a cell that is unoccupied.

## Breeding Cage View:

### Overview:

This view will display the information of any selected breeding cage.

### Creating New Breeding Cages:

When creating a new cage, the application will automatically fill in the "Cage is Active", rack number, row number, and column number sections for you. All pieces of information can be set/manipulated when creating a new breeding cage. Below is an image depicting the function of each button/indicator/text field/table visible in this view.

### Modifying an Existing Breeding Cage:

When modifying an existing breeding cage everything can be updated except for the following: Parent DOBs, Parent Cage IDs, Set Cage ID button, alerts. Alerts can be resolved by completing the necessary action the alert is informing you about. For example, if you have a "Wean Cage" alert, you will need to wean the specified cage and the alert will be automatically removed by the database at the end of the day. Click "Done" and select "Save and Continue" to retain any changes made.

### Adding Litters:

When adding a litter to a cage for the first time, simply tap the "Add Litter" button located in the bottom left-hand corner of the view, the button's label will then change to "Wean Litter". If the cage currently has a litter within it, the "Add Litter" button will be relabeled to "Wean Litter". Upon tapping the "Wean/Add"

litter button, the change is pushed to the database immediately! Meaning, once the button is tapped, the change *cannot be reverted*! Please use this function carefully! The alert to wean the cage will be cleared at the end of the day automatically by the server.

#### Adding/Viewing Males:

Upon viewing a breeding cage, there is a button at the bottom left of the view that will either read “Add Male” or “View Male”. By tapping this button, the Breeding Male view will be displayed (See Breeding Male View section of the usage guide for more information). Within the breeding male view you will have the option of either creating a new male to be added to that cage if there wasn’t a male in the cage previously or you can edit the information of the male if the breeding cage already had a male in it.

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# Create a Breeding Cage

Indicates if the cage has an ID set or not

Tap to show this cage's alerts

Cage is Active ☒


Rack No.

Row No.

Column No.

Parent D.O.B.

Tap to scan QR code to import parent information



Contains DOBs used in the inbreeding check. Make sure to include DOBs! If you are putting mice in from a third party supplier, manually input the current date and time as the DOB.


Parent Cage(s)

Contains cage IDs used in the inbreeding check. Make sure to include these! Enter "ORIGIN" or some other placeholder value if you are creating a cage with mice from a third party supplier. Otherwise, please use the scan button above to scan the QR code of the cage from which the mice are coming from.


Add Litter

Add Male

Set Cage ID:



Tap and scan the QR code created for the cage you are creating! This will be this cage's unique identifier!



## **Stock Cage View:**

### Overview:

This view will display the information of any selected stock cage.

### Creating New Stock Cages:

When creating a new cage, the application will automatically fill in the “Cage is Active”, rack number, row number, and column number sections for you. All pieces of information can be set/manipulated when creating a new stock cage. Below is an image depicting the function of each button/indicator/text field/table visible in this view.

### Modifying an Existing Stock Cages:

When modifying an existing stock cage everything can be updated except for the following: Set Cage ID button, alerts. Alerts can be resolved by completing the necessary action the alert is informing you about. For example, if you have a “Wean Cage” alert, you will need to wean the specified cage and the alert will be automatically removed by the database at the end of the day. Click “Done” and select “Save and Continue” to retain any changes made.



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# Create a Stock Cage

Indicates if the cage has an ID set or not

Tap to show this cage's alerts

Cage is Active

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Rack No.

1

Row No.

1

Column No.

4

Gender of Mice

Male

Female

Mice Count


D.O.B in Cage

Tap to scan QR code to input DOB information automatically

Displays the DOBs of the mice that are currently in this cage.

Set Cage ID:

Tap and scan the QR code created for the cage you are creating! This will be this cage's unique identifier!



## Breeding Male View:

### Overview:

This view will display the information of any selected breeding male.

### Creating New Breeding Males:

When creating a new breeding male, the application will automatically fill in the “Male is Active”, rack number, row number, and column number sections for you. All pieces of information can be set/manipulated when creating a new breeding male. Below is an image depicting the function of each button/indicator/text field/table visible in this view.

### Modifying an Existing Breeding Males:

When modifying an existing breeding male everything can be updated except for the following: Set Cage ID button, alerts. Alerts can be resolved by completing the necessary action the alert is informing you about. For example, if you have a “Wean Cage” alert, you will need to wean the specified cage and the alert will be automatically removed by the database at the end of the day. Click “Done” and select “Save and Continue” to retain any changes made.

### Moving Breeding Males to A New Cage:

View a breeding male, either by scanning the males QR code from the main menu, or by navigating to a breeding cage and viewing the male within. Then tap the “Scan QR Code” button that is located to the right of the “Current Cage Info” text field. The QR scanner view will appear, scan the QR code of the breeding cage you wish to move that male to. Confirm the changes by tapping the “Done” button at the top right-hand side of the breeding male view and select “Save and Continue”.

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## Create a Breeding Male

Indicates if the male has an ID set or not

Tap to show this male's alerts

Done

Cage is Active

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Rack No.

1

Column No.

4

Row No.

3

D.O.B

Parent Cage ID

Tap to scan QR code to automatically fill table below

Lists parent cage ID information for inbreeding check.

Current Cage Info:


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Tap to scan QR code of the cage which you wish to move this male to


Use the scan button to the right to scan the new cage you're moving the male into!

Scan to Set Male's ID:

Tap and scan the QR code created for the cage you are creating! This will be this cage's unique identifier!









## **Alerts View:**

### Overview:

This view can be accessed from the menu on the rack view. This view displays a list of all alerts that are active on cages stored in the database. The “Show Alerts” button can be tapped to refresh the alerts being displayed. Note, alerts cannot be removed from this list! To resolve an alert, you must complete the action the alert is informing you of. To complete this action, you are able to tap on the alert within the Alerts View to view the cage/male that has the selected alert. Within the view that appears, perform the necessary action to resolve the alert. At the end of the day, the database will automatically clear any alerts that have been resolved.

## **Scan QR Code View:**

### Overview:

This view will display the QR code scanner. Note, to use this view the application requires permission to access your device’s camera! Once the view has appeared, place your device so that the QR code you wish to scan is in view. The application will place a green border around a QR code that it recognizes. Tap the “Confirm Code” button on the bottom right-hand corner of the screen to confirm it has recognized the QR code you wish to scan! The application will then attempt to retrieve the appropriate mouse’s information that corresponds with the scanned QR code. If there is no mouse with the scanned QR code, then the application will display an error.

## **Settings View:**

### Overview:

This view will display the settings that are shared across all devices running this application. All settings are modifiable. Tap the “Done” button in the top right-hand corner of the view and select “Save and Continue” to retain any changes made. If there is more than one device currently running the application at the same time you have edited the settings, make sure the other devices tap the “Refresh View” button on the Rack View to apply the changes made.

### To Update URL's That Point to The Database:

This portion is so that the application is specifically for swapping from the database that was used during the development off the application to the database that will be hosted permanently by VCU IT Services.

The URLs have been labeled as accurately as possible to describe what they do and where they point to in the database. These URLs can be located at the top of the QueryServer.swift file located in the application. You must be using Apple's IDE XCode to make these changes. Then, once the URLs have been updated, you must log into an Apple ID that has developer mode enabled, and then log into the same Apple ID on the device on which you wish to install the updated application. Look online for additional information on how to enable developer mode/install the application onto the device you wish to use.