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Beam Break and Nesting

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This protocol is used to test mice in the Beam Break and Nesting behavioural test.

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Beam Break apparatus
Cotton nestlet square

- 1 Start Fusion software to begin recording and confirm the lights are on the appropriate light^{5m} dark cycle.
- 2 Single-cage mice in the Beam Break rack with enough food and water for 48-hours. ^{1d}
- 3 Turn off Fusion software and add a square of cotton nestlet. Leave mice for 17-19 hours. ^{5m}

- 4 Record and/or score nests as per <https://doi.org/10.1038/nprot.2006.170>. 20m
- 5 Return mice to their home cages. 20m