

## CONSULTING AND STAFFING SERVICES

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### Aquatic Research and Consulting Services

The Aquatic Research and Consulting Services group of Charles River Laboratories was formed based on a recognized need within the industry for a reputable source of information and guidance in using aquatic animals as research models. The group provides the aquatic research industry an invaluable resource for starting and maintaining a successful aquatic research program. Our expertise in the maintenance and use of aquatic species as research models allows us to offer a wide range of services from consulting and experimental design implementation, to operations support, including management oversight, staffing and staff training. This expertise, along with the vast resources of Charles River Laboratories, enables us to provide customers in the government, academic, pharmaceutical, and biotechnology sectors the ability to meet their aquatic research goals.

### Consulting Services

When establishing a new aquatics research program or evaluating an existing program in place, Charles River can assist you in a number of important ways. Whether it's setting up a new aquatic system or optimizing an existing system, Charles River can help.

### Staffing

Charles River can provide qualified, experienced staff to run your aquatics research facility on a contract basis. Our staff currently cares for more than 80,000 fish, frogs, and other aquatic species used in biomedical research. No other company has the resources and experience it takes to efficiently recruit, hire, and train aquatic animal care staff, freeing you to focus on your research.

### Training

Whether it's individual staff training in husbandry, or group training in the operation of complete aquatics systems, Charles River can structure a training program to suit your specific needs.

### Charles River Laboratories Aquatic Research and Consulting Services offers:

- Pre-construction/renovation consultation
- Defining requirements for an effective system before you commit funds for construction
- Identifying and specifying the infrastructure, equipment, and staffing for your program
- System and equipment procurement
- Post-renovation walk through
- New system evaluation to ensure a successful system before valuable research animals are introduced
- System trouble shooting needs
- Qualified trained aquatic husbandry and research staff
- Well rounded training to new and existing husbandry and research staff
- Defining optimal environmental parameters and SOP development
- Establishing proven quality control and monitoring programs
- Guidance through a maze of emerging AAALAC guidelines

**For more information or to schedule a consultation, please call us at 866-CRLSTAF.**

