**Circular CM22-01**

17 March, 2022

Dear Colleagues,

I am writing to inform you that in alignment with Circular HR 2022/008, Comparative Medicine (CM) will be relaxing additional social distancing measures.  Would you please share this document with your staff?

Effective 21 March, 2022

* While inside the vivarium, CM will no longer require personnel to maintain >1m distance between them, provided users are wearing their masks correctly.
* CM will no longer restrict the number of personnel inside vivarium rooms.

Please note that

* Personnel **must continue to use the CM Facilities Booking/ Scheduling Calendar to schedule use of the ATS, BSC, rodent surgical tables, and downdraft tables**. The booking/ scheduling calendar can be found at the following link: <https://bsys.lsi.nus.edu.sg/cmpr/list.php>. Please contact the facility supervisors for assistance booking equipment.
* CMIF Imaging equipment (ultrasound, micro-CT, IVIS and associated BSC) and the irradiator should be booked using the CMIF Booking Calendar (<https://bsys.lsi.nus.edu.sg/imaging/login.php>). Please note that you do NOT need to book in both calendars. Please contact CMIF with questions about booking this equipment
* **Queuing for equipment is NOT ALLOWED**. Please book the ATS, BSC, etc ahead of time.
* Please continue to follow social distancing measures currently in place for locations outside of the vivarium (i.e. in pantries, offices, restrooms).
* The CM vivarium hours are 7am to 7pm (including Sundays and Holidays).

CM will continue to monitor the COVID situation and following consultation with ORMC, reserves the right to restrict access if there is evidence that staff safety/public health may be compromised.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you for your support.

Kind regards

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CM Director