

# Small Mammal Behavioral Study Protocol Template

## 1. Study Overview

Study Title

Principal Investigator

Institution / Department

Team Members

Study Purpose / Objectives

Hypotheses / Research Questions

## 2. Species and Subjects

Species

Strain / Source

Number of Animals

Sex

Age

Housing Conditions

Acclimation Period

### 3. Behavioral Assays

Assay Name(s)

Description of Procedures

Apparatus / Equipment

Environmental Conditions (lighting, time of day, etc.)

Duration of Each Session

Number of Sessions per Animal

### 4. Data Collection & Analysis

Behavioral Measures to Record

Recording Methods

Data Analysis Approach

## 5. Ethical Considerations

Ethics Approval (IACUC/Other Reference#)

Humane Endpoints

Pain Management / Interventions

## 6. Notes & References

Additional Notes

References