



MEMORANDUM

Date: April 18, 2018

To: Aquatic Animal Care Services (AqACS) Users

From: Tim Mason, AqACS Director;  
Judith Eisen, AqACS Faculty Advisory Committee Chair

CC: David Conover, Vice President for Research and Innovation (VPRI)  
William Cresko, Associate Vice President for Research (VPRI)  
David Landrum, Assistant Vice President for Business Administration (VPBA)  
Melodi Jayne, Business Manager, Research Core Business Services (RCBS)

Re: Fiscal Year 2019 Rates – 2.5% Increase

The Aquatic Animal Care Services (AqACS) Director (Tim Mason), Faculty Advisory Committee (Judith Eisen, Karen Guillemain, John Postlethwait, Adam Miller), the Office of Research and Innovation (William Cresko), and the Research Core Business Services (Melodi Jayne) have conducted the annual cost analysis, as required by the Office of Research and Innovation in order to provide for the financial stability and sustainability of AqACS, and to enable AqACS to meet its fiscal obligations set forth in university, state, and federal policies and regulations. AqACS will experience a funding gap in the upcoming years. Following a meeting between the FAC and the VPRI, a Support Agreement was created in an effort to bridge this gap:

Contingent upon the availability of funds, OVPRI will endeavor to underwrite the deficits that may occur each year for four years (FY18 through FY21) for AqACS assuming that: (1) annual cost analysis is carefully reviewed by the FAC including strategies to contain costs and allowing for tank rate increases that are at least sufficient to cover inflation due to increased labor costs; and (2) that AqACS will actively seek external users and encourage likely partnerships with companies such as NemaMetrix.

In addition, due by December 15 of each year, as part of the Support Agreement, the VPRI requests that a report of grant submissions and awards that would affect the AqACS budget be delivered to his office.

Beginning July 1, 2018, to cover inflationary costs, a 2.5% rate increase for internal user tank spaces will occur. A complete list of services and rates for FY19 (beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018) are listed below:

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Internal Rates:

Zebrafish Tank Space Rate: \$14.97 per month

Tech Time Rate: \$32.00 per hour

External Rates:

Zebrafish Tank Space Rate: \$29.94 per month

Tech Time Rate: \$80.00 per hour

Please direct any questions related to the FY19 rates and/or the rate setting process to Tim Mason (541-346-8980, [tmason@uoregon.edu](mailto:tmason@uoregon.edu)) or any FAC member.

Tim Mason  
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