

## Origin:

The original colony of Swiss mice in the US started from nine mice brought from Lausanne, Switzerland, in 1926 by Clara Lynch (Lynch, 1969). In 1947, Hauschka established at the Institute for Cancer Research, Philadelphia, the Ha/ICR outbred stock from 'Swiss-Webster' mice obtained from John Landis in Hagerstown, Maryland. In 1959 to Charles River Breeding Laboratories, Wilmington.

### □ **Hsd:ICR(CD-1<sup>®</sup>)**

Harlan Sprague Dawley, Inc., obtained a breeding stock from Charles River Breeding Laboratories.

## Characteristics:

The ICR(CD-1<sup>®</sup>) mouse is a Swiss mouse that is used as a general-purpose stock and in oncological and pharmaceutical research. This is a vigorous outbred stock.

### • Anatomy

Spontaneous micronucleus frequencies (Salamone *et al*, 1994).

### • Behaviour

Fairly docile and easy to handle. Study of laterality (use of the right paw) (Biddle *et al*, 1993; 1996). The mean maximally preferred concentrations of ethanol were 17,9% for C57BL/6 and 6,8% for ICR mice. The consumption of ethanol represents a preferred source of calories for the C57BL/6 mouse (McMillen *et al*, 1998).

### • Drugs

Effects of impaired maternal insulin secretion on preimplantation embryo development in mice are marked and consistent after spontaneous ovulation (Mihalik *et al*, 1998). Treatment of ICR with N-Methyl-N-nitrosourea and 17 beta oestradiol might be a model for endometrial carcinoma (Niwa *et al*, 1991). Less sensitive to orally given diethylstilboestrol than B6D2F1 and B6C3F1 mice (Farmakalidis *et al*, 1984). Doses of 100 nmol DMBA produced 24 papillomas per mouse in SENCAR mice and 5.6 papillomas per mouse in ICR mice. Differences in oxidative metabolism of DMBA were not responsible for differences in sensitivity to tumour-initiation between SENCAR and ICR mice (DiGiovanni *et al* (1980).

### • Genetics

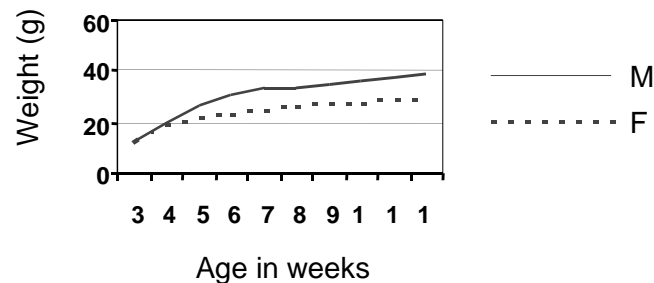
Coat colour genes – *c* : albino

Other genes are variable (outbred stock).

Genetic variance of laboratory outbred Swiss mice has been described by Rice and O'Brien J (1980).

- Growth Chart

Hsd:ICR(CD-1<sup>®</sup>) – HSD, Inc.



- Infection

ICR mice (normal complement) are more sensitive to *Klebsiella pneumoniae* than DBA/2 mice (C5 complement deficient) (Georgieva *et al*, 1998). Pathogenesis of orally induced *Salmonella enteritidis* has been studied by Carter and Collins (1974).

- Life-span and Spontaneous Disease

Tumour incidence described by Percy and Jonas (1971), Sher (1974) and Homburger *et al* (1975). Mutations, diseases and mortality have been described by Eaton *et al* (1980). Spontaneous ovarian teratomas have been described by Abbott *et al* (1983). ICR mice have been found to be highly susceptible to induced degenerative joint disease (Silberman, 1976). Age-related changes in the mandibular joint have been described by Silberman and Livne (1979).

- Miscellaneous

The ICR mouse has been described by Hausckka and Mirand (1973). Effects of restraint, cage transportation, anaesthesia and repeated bleeding on plasma glucose levels have been described by Tabata *et al* (1997).

- Nutrition

In ICR mice maintained by Caloric Restriction at 90, 80 and 70% of their adult Ad Libitum body weight for 21 weeks, oestrous cyclicity was not affected by the mildest amount of Caloric Restriction, while cyclicity was affected in the more severe Caloric Restriction groups. All of the Caloric Restriction females had dose-related decreases in various fertility parameters while on Caloric Restriction (Chapin *et al.*, 1993).

- Physiology and Biochemistry

Effects of anaesthesia on hepatic and lymphoid tissue have been described by Thompson *et al* (2002). AApoAII amyloid deposition has been described by Gruys *et al*, 1995).

Parameters:

**Hsd:ICR(CD-1<sup>®</sup>) – Harlan France**

Parameter	Unit	6 weeks old male			12 weeks old male			6 weeks old female			12 weeks old female		
		mean	±	Sd	mean	±	sd	mean	±	sd	mean	±	sd
Weights													
Body weight	g	30.5	±	2.6	41.4	±	3.4	26.5	±	1.5	33.3	±	2.3
Heart	g	0.175	±	0.023	0.225	±	0.038	0.153	±	0.024	0.171	±	0.024
Lungs	g	0.177	±	0.016	0.207	±	0.020	0.167	±	0.021	0.195	±	0.017
Liver	g	1.878	±	0.248	2.235	±	0.353	1.213	±	0.108	1.513	±	0.247
Kidney	g	0.441	±	0.062	0.566	±	0.087	0.280	±	0.023	0.360	±	0.039
Haematology													
Erythrocytes	*10 <sup>12</sup> /l	7.58	±	0.31	8.17	±	0.47	8.20	±	0.27	8.37	±	0.38
Thrombocytes	*10 <sup>9</sup> /l	1089	±	142	515	±	93	936	±	225	899	±	120
Leukocytes	*10 <sup>9</sup> /l	6.1	±	1.3	6.7	±	2.3	4.2	±	0.9	5.4	±	1.2
Lymphocytes	%	79.1	±	5.8	65.6	±	14.7	75.4	±	5.1	77.0	±	5.3
Neutrophiles	%	9.3	±	2.9	30.2	±	13.5	13.1	±	4.3	11.9	±	3.5
Monocytes	%	8.7	±	5.3	3.4	±	2.5	6.5	±	2.7	5.5	±	3.1
Eosinophiles	%	3.1	±	2.2	0.7	±	0.9	5.1	±	2.3	5.0	±	2.4
Basophiles	%	0.0	±	0.0	0.1	±	0.3	0.0	±	0.0	0.0	±	0.0
Biochemistry													
Sodium	mmol/l	151	±	2	151	±	6	154	±	2	150	±	8
Potassium	mmol/l	4.1	±	0.2	4.1	±	0.4	3.8	±	0.2	3.7	±	0.4
Calcium	mmol/l	2.52	±	0.04	2.40	±	0.09	2.47	±	0.03	2.45	±	0.06
Phosphate	mmol/l	2.16	±	0.27	1.95	±	0.35	2.48	±	0.15	2.03	±	0.24
Urea	mmol/l	7.8	±	0.8	8.7	±	0.9	7.1	±	1.6	6.9	±	1.3
Creatinine	μmol/l	27	±	2	30	±	3	30	±	2	29	±	1
Bilirubine	μmol/l	<10			<10			<10			<10		
Cholesterol	mmol/l	3.7	±	0.8	3.4	±	0.6	2.8	±	0.5	2.9	±	0.6
Triglyceride	mmol/l	1.46	±	0.42	1.97	±	0.40	1.07	±	0.25	1.29	±	0.59
Glucose	mmol/l	10.8	±	1.1	9.8	±	1.0	8.6	±	0.8	9.0	±	1.3
AP	U/l	139	±	33	33	±	8	144	±	31	79	±	22
ASAT	U/l	71	±	13	64	±	16	78	±	16	76	±	12
ALAT	U/l	36	±	6	41	±	9	34	±	8	33	±	6
LD	U/l	486	±	134	583	±	281	658	±	93	583	±	152
Hemoglobin	mmol/l	8.0	±	0.4	8.2	±	0.5	8.5	±	0.2	8.5	±	0.5
Hematocrite	l/l	0.44	±	0.02	0.45	±	0.03	0.44	±	0.02	0.46	±	0.03

Full brochure with background data available on request.

References:

- Abbot DP, Gregson RL, Imm S (1983) Spontaneous ovarian teratomas in laboratory mice. *J. Comp. Path.* **93**, 109-114.
- Biddle FG, *et al* (1993) Genetic variation in paw preference (handedness) in the mouse. *Genome* **36**, 935-943.
- Biddle FG, Eales BA (1996) The degree of lateralization of paw usage (handedness) in the mouse is defined by three major phenotypes. *Behav. Genet.* **26**, 391-406.

- Carter PB, Collins FM (1974) The route of enteric infections in normal mice. *J. Exp. Med.* **139**, 1189-1203.
- Chapin RE, Gulati DK, Fail PA, Hope E, Russell SR, Heondel JJ, Georg JD, Grizzle TB, Teague JL (1993) The effects of feed restriction on reproductive function in Swiss CD-1 mice. *Fundam. Appl. Toxicol.* **20**, 15-22.
- Eaton GJ, Johnson FN, Custer RF, Reynolds A (1980) The Icr:Ha(ICR) mouse: a current account of breeding, mutations, diseases and mortality. *Lab. Anim.* **14**, 17-21.
- DiGiovanni J, Slaga TJ, Boutwell RK (1980) Comparison of tumor-initiating activity of 7,12-dimethylbenz[a]anthracene and benzo[a]pyrene in female SENCAR and CD-1 mice. *Carcinogenesis* **1**, 381-389.
- Farmakalidis E, Murphy PA (1984). Different oestrogenic responses of ICR, B6D2F1 and B6C3F1 mice given diethylstilboestrol orally. *Fed. Chem. Toxic* **22**, 681-682.
- Georgieva P, Ivanovska N, Barot-Ciorbaru R (1998) Immunomodulatory properties of Nocardia lysozyme digest (NLD) in complement normal and C5- deficient mice. *Vaccine* **16**, 1237-1242.
- Gruys E, Tooten PCJ, Kuijpers MHM (1996) Lung, ileum and heart are predilection sites for AApoAII amyloid deposition in CD-1 Swiss mice used for toxicity studies. Pulmonary amyloid indicates AApoAII. *Lab. Anim.* **30**, 28-34.
- Hauschka TS, Mirand EA (1973) The "Breeder:Ha-(ICR)" Swiss mouse, a multipurpose stock selected for fecundity. In: *Perspectives in cancer research and treatment* (Murphy GP, ed). New York: Liss, pp. 319-331.
- Homburger F, Russfield AB, Weisburger JH, Lim S, Chak SP, Weisburger EK (1975) Aging changes in CD-1<sup>®</sup> HaM/ICR mice reared under standard laboratory conditions. *J. Natl. Cancer Inst.* **55**, 37-45.
- Lynch CJ (1969) The so-called Swiss mouse. *Lab. Anim. Sci.* **19**, 214-220.
- McMillan BA, Williams HL (1998) Role of taste and calories in the selection of ethanol by C57BL/6NHsd and Hsd:ICR mice. *Alcohol* **15**, 193-198.
- Mihalik J, Rehak P, Vesela J, Cikos S, Baran V, Koppel J (1998) Preimplantation embryo development in ICR mice after streptozotocin treatment. *Physiological Research* **47**, 67-72.
- Niwa K, Tanaka T, Mori H, Yokoyama Y, Furui T, Mori H, Tamaya T (1991) Rapid induction of endometrial carcinoma in ICR mice treated with N-Methyl-N-nitrosourea and 17 beta estradiol. *Japanese Journal of Cancer Research* **82**, 1391-1396.
- Percy DH, Jonas AM (1971) Incidence of spontaneous tumors in CD<sup>®</sup>-1 HaM/ICR mice. *J. Natl. Cancer Inst.* **46**, 1045-1048.
- Rice MC, O'Brien J (1980) Genetic variance of laboratory outbred Swiss mice. *Nature*, **283**, 157-161.
- Salamone MF *et al* (1994) Bone marrow micronucleus assay: a review of the mouse stocks used and their published mean spontaneous micronucleus frequencies. *Env. Mol. Mutagenesis* **23**, 239-273.
- Sher SP (1974) Tumors in control mice: literature tabulation. *Toxicol. Appl. Pharmacol.* **30**, 337-359.
- Silberman M (1976) experimentally induced osteoarthritis in the temporomandibular joint of the mouse. *Acta Anatomica* **96**, 9-24.
- Silberman M, Live e (1979) Age-related degenerative changes in the mouse mandibular joint. *J. Anat.* **129**, 507-520.
- Tabata H, Kitamura T, Nagamatsu N (1998) Comparison of restraint, cage transportation, anaesthesia and repeated bleeding on plasma glucose levels between mice and rats. *Lab. Anim.* **32**, 142-148.
- Thompson JS, Brown SA, Khurdayan V, Zeynalzadedan V, Sullivan PG, Scheff SW (2002) Early effects of tribromoethanol, ketamine/xylazine, pentobarbital, and isofluorane anesthesia on hepatic and lymphoid tissue in ICR mice. *Comparative Medicine* **52**, 63-67.