# Euthanasia Unit

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### Caractéristiques

During euthanasia of rodents using the UNO Euthanasia Unit, the following benefits are achieved:

- The animals can stay in their cage, because the UNO Euthanasia Unit includes a transparant polycarbonate "container", in which the complete rat- or mousecage can be placed.
- First, Carbogen gas is introduced at the bottom of the cage, by means of a PLC controlled valve. Carbogen is a gas mixture of 95%  $O^2 + 5\% CO^2$ . This causes a high concentration  $O^2$  in the cage and in the container, while the 5%-concentration  $CO^2$  does not cause any reaction at the  $CO^2$  reseptors in the animal lungs. The pO<sup>2</sup> level in the blood becomes maximal.
- After 1 min. the Carbogen flow is stopped and 100% CO<sup>2</sup> is introduced into the cage. In this way the high concentration O<sup>2</sup> is slowly replaced by CO<sup>2</sup>. This relatively slow replacement of O<sup>2</sup> by CO<sup>2</sup> is responsable for the reduction of stress for the animal.

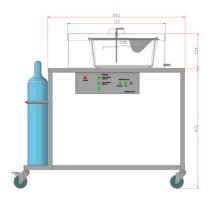
If mice and rats ar being exposed directly to 100% CO<sup>2</sup>, the stress level, measured according to EEG, EKG and proportionaly, is very high. The article "Carbon Dioxide euthanasia in rats;....." handles about the 3 above mentioned criteria in detail. This article can be downloaded on our website: http://www.unobv.com/afbeeldingen/Carbon%20Dioxide%20in%20rats.pdf

#### The UNO Euthanasia Unit encludes:

• A polycarbonate box with lid, in which the mice and rat cages can be placed

Dimensions:  $50 \times 75 \times 25$ cm (lxbxh) (other dimensions customs made available!)

- Tube for the gassupply. This tube can be put between the bars of the wirelids into the cage
- A valve in the macrolon box to connect the unit to an exhaust system
- The s.s. trolley has a tray on which the gas cylinders can be placed
- A switchboard for the supply of the gas (mixure)  $\mathsf{O}^2$  and  $\mathsf{CO}^2$ , according a PLC pre-set program







One of the advantages of the mentioned PLC pre-set programs is that the procedures for euthanasia in rats ond mice can be easily described in a protocol for the users of the unit. The UNO Euthanasia Unit contains a program that uses 2 different grasses in order to, during euthanasing mice and rats, reduce the animalcode2utf('39',0)s stress to a minimum.

## **Custommade Options**

Different configurations and set-ups for euthanasia units are available on special request.

- A Euthanasia Unit with two separat euthanasia boxes that can each hold a cage. This unit was equiped with two separate control with each jus one program. Also a safety to prevent unauthorized changes mad in the flowmeter settings was integrated.
- 2. A Euthanasia Unit to be placed on a table without the trolley is also possible.
- 3. Euthanasia cabinets in different configurations. For ordering information, please contact us.



#### Numéro de commande

180000100 Euthanasia Unit complete



