

Research space includes:

- controlled-environment space, such as clean, cold, or white rooms
- technical and laboratory support space, such as equipment areas, preparation areas, darkrooms, carpentry and machine shops, storage areas, etc.
- laboratories, including computer labs, behavior observation rooms, etc.
- core laboratories that serve other laboratories
- laboratories and associated support areas used for research animals, including procedure rooms, bench space, animal production colonies, holding rooms, germ-free rooms, surgical facilities, recovery rooms, etc.
- housing facilities for research animals and associated maintenance areas, including cage rooms, stalls, wards, isolation rooms, exercise rooms, feed storage rooms, cage-washing rooms, holding and storage areas, etc.
- space for clinical trial research
- offices, to the extent that they are used for research activities, including administrative activities for a specific research project
- space with fixed (built-in) equipment such as fume hoods
- space with nonfixed equipment costing \$1 million or more each, such as MRIs
- space that is leased by your institution

Research space does not include:

- space for the fields of law, business administration/management, humanities, history, the arts, or education
- libraries, unless they are dedicated to a specific research project
- animal field buildings sheltering animals that do not directly support research or that are not subject to government regulations concerning humane care and use of laboratory animals
- in-kind space used by your faculty, staff, or other persons but administered by other organizations, such as research facilities at non-university hospitals or Veterans Administration hospitals
- outdoor areas such as fish ponds or planting fields