



This is the first of what will begin as a monthly communication regarding the *MyColony* initiative, a partnership between Vanderbilt and [Transnetyx](#) to provide Automated Genotyping services and mouse colony (breeding and experimental) management software.


- Read more about the *MyColony* initiative [here](#).
- [Click here](#) for a list of FAQs.

**This week’s news/reminders:**

The DAC’s 2024 *MyColony* Mouse *per diem* Rate (effective July 1, 2023) includes the first \$0.04/cage increase required to cover the cost of *MyColony* services. Another \$0.04/cage will be added to the *MyColony* rate next fiscal year. Cages ordered directly from an approved commercial vendor will be charged the 2024 Standard Mouse per diem. [FY24 Per Diem Rates](#). Still have questions about what rate will be charged to your mouse cages? [Read more here](#).

**Tip of the week!**

When viewing racks on Colony’s Cage Map View, the system defaults to labeling columns as numbers and rows as letters. To relabel your rack, follow these steps:



Click the pencil on the right side of the screen


Left Column  
Position Label

A

Top Row  
Position Label

1

Enter A for “Left Column Position Label” and enter 1 for “Top Row Position Label”



Click “Save”

**Get Started**

As of this week **107 out of roughly 213 labs** have already begun using services.  
[Click to get your lab started >>](#)

**Want to meet with a real person?**



Contact Jaclyn Moore, Vanderbilt’s Transnetyx Institutional Account Specialist, to set up a visit to your office/lab. Alternatively, “drop in” (no appointment necessary) office hours for Jaclyn are Tuesdays from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm CT in the ACUP Administration Office (MCN AA6206).

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**MyColony User Group**

A *MyColony* User Group, composed of research faculty and staff, and representatives from the Animal Care and Use Program and Transnetyx, has been formed. Find out who is on the User Group and learn more about its mission [here](#).