# Open Field - centre start JAX\_OFD\_001

#### **Purpose**

The Open Field test is used to assess anxiety and exploratory behaviors. It is based on the natural tendency of an animal to explore and to protect itself using avoidance which translates to a normal animal spending more time in the periphery of the Open Field arena than in the center (the most anxiogenic area).

### **Experimental Design**

Minimum number of animals: 7M + 7F

Age at test: Week 8

• Sex: We would expect the results of this test to show sexual dimorphism

#### **Procedure**

- 1. Animals are transported to the testing room (or ideally an antechamber) and left undisturbed for 30 minutes before the test.
- 2. Ensure that lighting conditions are as desired (150-200 lux) and that all equipment is working correctly:
  - 1. If using a beam break system, ensure that beams are not interrupted before putting the mouse and if measuring vertical activity (rears), check that height of the infrared frame for rears is correctly set.
  - 2. If using a videotracking system, set detection parameters appropriate for the coat color of the mice.
  - 3. For analysis, each openfield arena is divided into a peripheral zone measuring 8 cm from the edge of the arena walls, and a central zone around 40% of the total surface of the arena.
- 3. Testing is conducted during the light phase of the cycle with 1 hour gap from the light/dark change. Testing should be conducted during the same period of day.
- 4. Wipe the apparatus clean and allow time for it to dry
- 5. Each mouse is placed in the middle of a central zone of the arena facing the wall and allowed to explore freely the apparatus, with the experimenter out of the animal's sight.

If more than one mouse can be tested in parallel, in adjacent open field arenas and mice are video-tracked, it is important to ensure that the tracking of each mouse starts as soon as the mouse is released to make data comparable.

Males and females must be run in separate tests; ideally males are tested first, then followed by females

- 6. At the end of the 20 min run, animals are labeled (if necessary) and put back into their home cage.
- 7. After each run, any feces are removed and the arena is thoroughly wiped.
- 8. Analysis of the recording is done to measure the activity of each mouse in each of the zones per 5 minute bins.

#### **Notes**

- 1. Please ensure that the mice are not handled prior to the test, except handling for cage change.
- 2. Ear clipping should be done after the test if necessary .

#### **Data QC**

- 1. Verify total time of run.
- 2. Coherence between latency, number of entries and time in the center.

#### **Parameters and Metadata**

#### Distance travelled JAX\_OFD\_005\_001 | v1.2

seriesParameter

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: true Is Annotated: true

Unit Measured: cm

Increments: 5, 10, 15, 20,

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## Number of Rears JAX\_OFD\_006\_001 | v1.1

seriesParameter

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: true

Increments: 5, 10, 15, 20,

# Whole arena resting time JAX\_OFD\_007\_001 | v1.1

simpleParameter

Req. Analysis: false	Req. Upload: true	Is Annotated: true	
Unit Measured: s			
Whole arena perma	anence JAX_OFD_008_00	01   v1.1	
Req. Analysis: false	Req. Upload: true	Is Annotated: false	
Unit Measured: s			
Whole arena avera	ge speed JAX_OFD_009	9_001   v1.1	
Req. Analysis: false	Req. Upload: true	Is Annotated: true	
Unit Measured: cm/s			

# Periphery distance travelled JAX\_OFD\_010\_001 | v1.1

Req. Analysis: false	Req. Upload: true	Is Annotated: true	
Unit Measured: cm			
Periphery resting ti	<b>ime</b> JAX_OFD_011_001   v	1.1	
Req. Analysis: false	Req. Upload: true	Is Annotated: true	
Unit Measured: s			
Periphery permane simpleParameter	ence time JAX_OFD_012	_001   v1.1	
Req. Analysis: false	Req. Upload: true	Is Annotated: true	
Unit Measured: S			
Periphery average speed JAX_OFD_013_001   v1.1 simpleParameter			

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: true Is Annotated: true

Center distance tra	avelled JAX_OFD_014_00	01   v1.1
Req. Analysis: false	Req. Upload: true	Is Annotated: true
Unit Measured: cm		
Center resting time	<b>9</b> JAX_OFD_015_001   v1.1	
Req. Analysis: false	Req. Upload: true	Is Annotated: true
Unit Measured: s		
Center permanenc simpleParameter	<b>e time</b> JAX_OFD_016_00	1   v1.1
Req. Analysis: false	Req. Upload: true	Is Annotated: true
Unit Measured: s		

#### Center average speed JAX\_OFD\_017\_001 | v1.0

simpleParameter

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: true Is Annotated: true Unit Measured: cm/s Latency to center entry JAX\_OFD\_018\_001 | v1.1 simpleParameter Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: true Is Annotated: true Unit Measured: s Number of center entries JAX\_OFD\_019\_001 | v1.1 simpleParameter Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: true Distance travelled - total JAX\_OFD\_020\_001 | v1.2 simpleParameter

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: true

<b>Derivation:</b> sumOfIncrements		
	<b>otal</b> JAX_OFD_021_001	
simpleParameter		
Req. Analysis: false	Req. Upload: false	Is Annotated: true
<b>Derivation:</b> sumOfIncrements	('JAX_OFD_006_001', 4)	
Percentage center simpleParameter	time JAX_OFD_022_001	v1.2
Req. Analysis: false	Req. Upload: false	Is Annotated: true
Unit Measured: %		
<b>Derivation:</b> mul(div('JAX_OFE	D_016_001', 'JAX_OFD_008_0	001'), 100)
<b>Equipment ID</b> JAX_O procedureMetadata	FD_023_001   v1.0	
Req. Analysis: false	Req. Upload: true	Is Annotated: false

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## Equipment manufacturer JAX\_OFD\_024\_001 | v1.1

procedureMetadata

Req. Analysis: true Req. Upload: true Is Annotated: false

Options: TSE Systems, MED Associates Inc, San Diego, O'hara CO Ltd., Panlab, Noldus,

Accuscan, Columbus Instruments, Biobserve, Omnitech,

#### Equipment model JAX\_OFD\_025\_001 | v1.0

procedureMetadata

Req. Analysis: true Req. Upload: true Is Annotated: false

Options: ActiMot / MoTil, MED-OFA-RS, 2325-0248, TijmeOF9, LE8822, Unknown,

ActiMot / MoTil 480 x 480 mm, VMX 1.4b, Opto-Varimex 4, SuperFlex Fusion,

#### Central zone surface area JAX\_OFD\_026\_001 | v1.1

procedureMetadata

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: true Is Annotated: false

Unit Measured: % of total area

Options: 40, 42, 41, 39,

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#### Light intensity in the centre of the arena JAX\_OFD\_027\_001 | v1.1

procedureMetadata

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: true Is Annotated: false

Unit Measured: Lux

#### Number of animals per cage JAX\_OFD\_028\_001 | v1.0

procedureMetadata

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: false

## Color of arena JAX\_OFD\_029\_001 | v1.0

procedureMetadata

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: false

Options: Black, Transparent, White, Grey, White (floor)/Dark grey(walls),

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#### Height of the wall JAX\_OFD\_030\_001 | v1.0

procedureMetadata

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: false

## Distance from light source: if direct illumination JAX\_OFD\_03

1\_001 | v1.1

procedureMetadata

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: false

Unit Measured: cm

## Periphery zone JAX\_OFD\_032\_001 | v1.2

procedureMetadata

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: true Is Annotated: false

Unit Measured: cm

**Options:** 8, 7.6, 7.35, 9.39, 7.5, 7.9,

## Type of analysis JAX\_OFD\_033\_001 | v1.1

procedureMetadata

Req. Analysis: true Req. Upload: true Is Annotated: false

Options: Wide beam break, Video tracking,

Arena Size JAX_OFD_procedureMetadata	_034_001   v1.0		
Req. Analysis: false	Req. Upload: true	Is Annotated: false	
<b>Options:</b> 45x45, 43.2x43.2, 4	10.5x40.5, 40x40, 44x44, 42x42	2, 44.5x44.5, 50x50,	
Experimenter ID JA procedureMetadata	X_OFD_035_001   v1.1		
Req. Analysis: false	Req. Upload: true	Is Annotated: false	
Disinfectant JAX_OFD_036_001   v1.1 procedureMetadata			
Req. Analysis: false	Req. Upload: false	Is Annotated: false	
Start Time JAX_OFD_037_001   v1.1 procedureMetadata			
Req. Analysis: false	Req. Upload: false	Is Annotated: false	

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#### Arena ID JAX OFD 038 001 | v1.0

procedureMetadata

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: false

#### Software Version JAX\_OFD\_039\_001 | v1.0

procedureMetadata

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: true Is Annotated: false

Options: 06.15 / 07.01, Topscan Lite, Image OF, Actitrack system, Ethovision XT v8.5,

Versamax 4.2, TSE ActiMot Vers. 08.00, Activity Monitor V6.02,

Opto-Varimex 4 AutoTrack System 4.97, TimeOFCR4, Viewer3, Opto-Varimex AutoTrack 4.x,

Opto-Varimex AutoTrack 5.x, Activity Monitor V7.0.5.10, Fusion v6.5,

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#### Arena Material JAX\_OFD\_040\_001 | v1.0

procedureMetadata

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: false

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## Date equipment last calibrated JAX\_OFD\_041\_001 | v1.2

procedureMetadata

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: false

## Whole arena resting time series JAX\_OFD\_001\_001 | v1.1

seriesParameter

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: true

Unit Measured: s

Increments: 5, 10, 15, 20,

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## Whole arena average speed series JAX\_OFD\_002\_001 | v1.2

seriesParameter

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: true

Unit Measured: cm/s

Increments: 20, 15, 10, 5,

## Periphery distance travelled series JAX\_OFD\_003\_001 | v1.2

seriesParameter

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: true

Increments:	5,	10,	15,	20
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## Periphery resting time series JAX\_OFD\_004\_001 | v1.2

seriesParameter

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: true

Unit Measured: s

Increments: 5, 10, 15, 20,

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## Periphery permanence time series JAX\_OFD\_042\_001 | v1.2

seriesParameter

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: true

Unit Measured: s

Increments: 5, 10, 15, 20,

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## Periphery average speed series JAX\_OFD\_043\_001 | v1.3

seriesParameter

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: true

Increments: 5, 10, 15, 20,

#### Center distance travelled series JAX\_OFD\_044\_001 | v1.3

seriesParameter

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: true

Unit Measured: cm

Increments: 5, 10, 15, 20,

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## Center resting time series JAX\_OFD\_045\_001 | v1.3

seriesParameter

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: true

Unit Measured: s

Increments: 5, 10, 15, 20,

## Center permanence time series JAX\_OFD\_046\_001 | v1.2

seriesParameter

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: true

Unit Measured: s
Increments: 5, 10, 15, 20,

## Center average speed series JAX\_OFD\_047\_001 | v1.2

seriesParameter

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: true

Unit Measured: cm/s

Increments: 5, 10, 15, 20,

## Number of center entries series JAX\_OFD\_048\_001 | v1.1

seriesParameter

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: true

Increments: 5, 10, 15, 20,

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## Light beam barrier height (Z axis) JAX\_OFD\_049\_001 | v1.1

procedureMetadata

Req. Analysis: true Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: false

**Description:** height of the Z axis light beam used to determine when mouse is rearing **Options:** 8.6, 6.8, 7.5, Percentage center movement time JAX\_OFD\_050\_001 | v1.0 simpleParameter Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: true Unit Measured: % **Description:** percentage\_center\_movement\_time **Derivation:** mul(div(sub('JAX\_OFD\_016\_001', 'JAX\_OFD\_015\_001'),'JAX\_OFD\_008\_001'),100) Resting definition threshold JAX\_OFD\_051\_001 | v1.0 procedureMetadata Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: false **Description:** Parameter measuring how the equipment defines a 'resting' animal **Options:** Stationary for > 1 second, Stationary for any time, Within grid for > 2 seconds,

## Rearing definition threshold JAX\_OFD\_052\_001 | v1.0

Req. Analysis: false Req. Upload: false Is Annotated: false

**Description:** Parameter measuring how the equipment defines a 'rearing' animal

Options: No threshold, 1 second,