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Zebrafish enrichment

Group housing



It's preferable to keep zebrafish in group housing rather than on their own or in pairs, as group housing contributes to lower anxiety and faster recovery from stress. More information is needed on preferred group sizes, however.

Aggression may be high in small groups of zebrafish (fewer than six fish), so

caution should be taken and the fish carefully monitored.

Where fish need to be housed alone or in pairs, using clear, perforated barriers will maintain visual and olfactory contact. Providing enrichment such as plants can help reduce stress.

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