**Forced Swim Test**

Setup:

1) Place rats into a cylinder of water at 23–25 °C, of 30 cm depth to prevent their feet and tail from touching the bottom.

2) Start the timer, and record behaviors every 5s for 15 minutes. The behaviors of interest are (1) **climbing**, with the rat making active attempts to escape from the tank, including visual searching for the escape routes and diving; (2) **swimming**, with the rat staying afloat, pedaling, and making circular movements around the tank; (3) **immobility**, with the rat not making any active movements.

3) After 15 min, take rats out, dry them with cloth towels, and return them to their home cages.

4) 24 hr later, rats are returned to the cylinder of water, and their behaviors are recorded for 5 min. The basic procedure is the same as that described in “Step 1”.