

# Tumors in Rats



Fatty tumors can be fairly common in females though males occasionally will get them. They usually don't occur until the rat is older but they may sometimes show up when the rat is young. They are normally a round soft mass that is commonly found underneath the front legs, in front of the rear legs, or in the groin area. Most of these are benign, but they can grow rapidly and can limit a rat's movement in a very short time. If you find a growth on your rat, you should have your veterinarian examine it as soon as possible to see about having it removed.

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