

General Policy

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Animal Ethics

The University acknowledges its obligations under the Animal Welfare Act 1999 and recognises that humans have a special relationship with the care and welfare of animals in teaching and research. It is a fundamental principle of the University that all research involving animals should be conducted in accordance with the highest standards provided by the Act.

The University aims:

- (a) to ensure an appropriate high standard of care and welfare of all research animals used in teaching and research, and to ensure that all research involving animals is conducted in a manner that is ethically justifiable and defensible to the community; and
- (b) to ensure that teaching and research involving animals is conducted in a manner that is ethically justifiable and defensible to the community.

