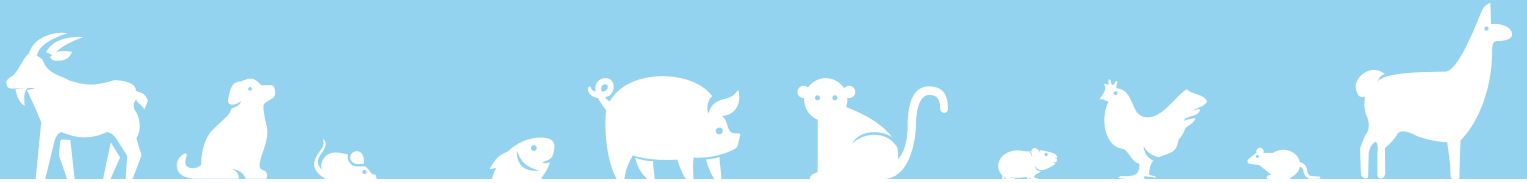




# NCad 2016 highlights

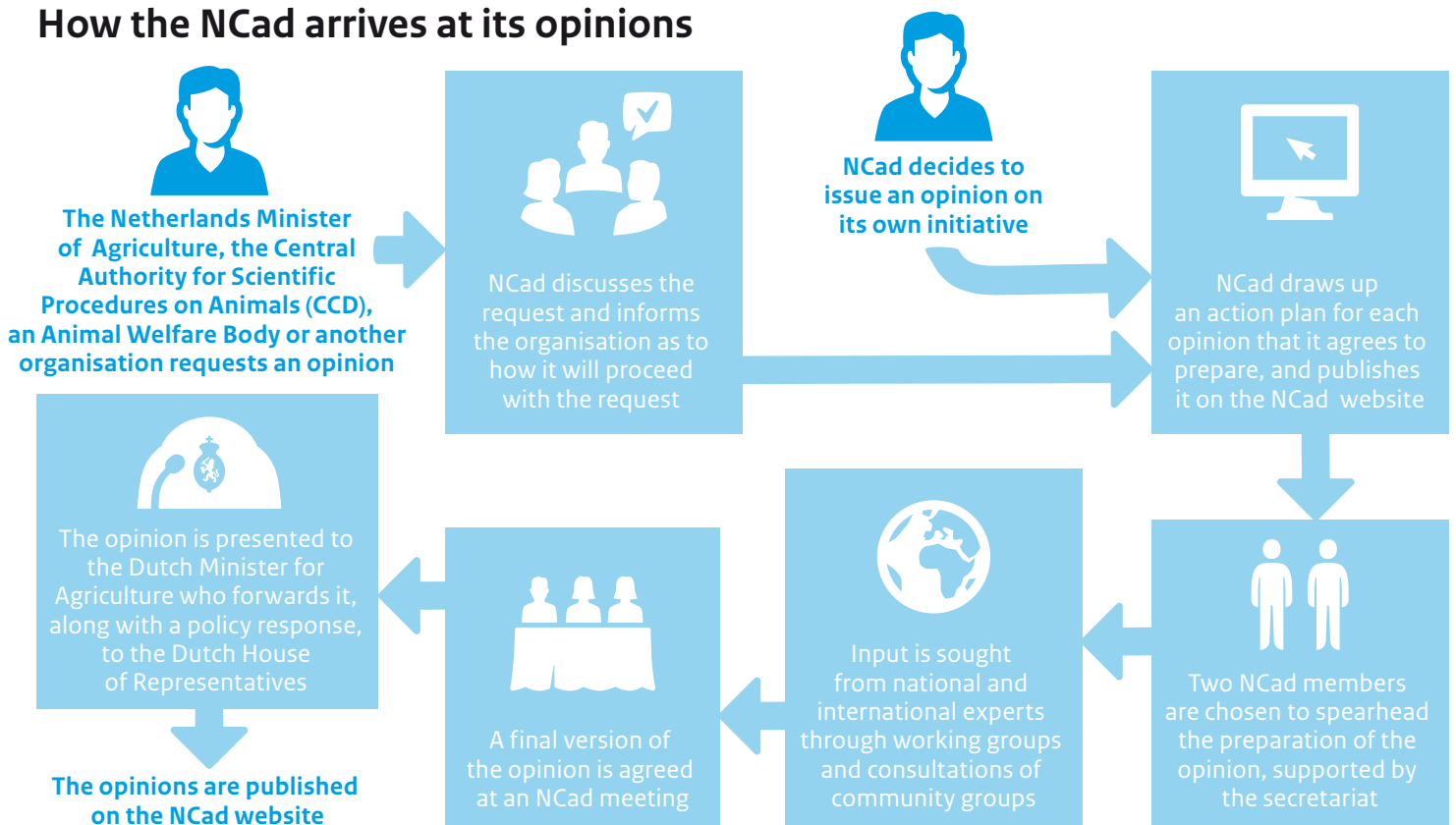


The NCad has been appointed for the protection of animals used for scientific purposes and for education

## Requests for opinions by the Dutch Minister of Agriculture



## How the NCad arrives at its opinions



## Workshops and working groups

Workshops (2)  
**Roadmap for phasing out animal procedures**

Working group  
**International Code of Practice for Synthesis of Evidence**

Working groups  
**Water and food deprivation**  
 • non-human primates  
 • rodents


Working group  
**Follow-up advice on animals killed in stock**


Working group  
**Rehoming of cats and dogs**


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**Rehoming of non-human primates**


Working group  
**Pain management**

## Consultations of community groups

**Meeting 1**  
  
 Management and utilisation of data for monitoring laboratory animal use and 3 Rs

**Meeting 2**  
  
 Procedures using cats and dogs

**Meeting 3**  
  
 Alternative methods for killing laboratory animals

**Meeting 4**  
  
 Transition to non-animal research

## International activities



- International symposium “Phasing out animal experiments, the next steps”
- International workshop on pain management
- International meeting on the CoP for Synthesis of Evidence

## Key principles

**Replacement**  Replacing animal procedures with non-animal methods.

**Reduction**  Reducing the number of laboratory animals used in research.

**Refinement**  Refining the use of laboratory animals to reduce suffering.

## Statutory duties

- Submitting solicited and unsolicited advisory reports to the Dutch Minister for Agriculture, the Central Authority for Scientific Procedures on Animals (CCD) and the Animal Welfare Bodies regarding:



- the acquisition of laboratory animals
- the breeding of laboratory animals
- the housing of laboratory animals
- the care of laboratory animals
- the use of animals in procedures
- alternatives to animal procedures

- Exchanging information with the national committees of other Member States about:



- the Animal Welfare Bodies' performance
- the assessment of project proposals
- the dissemination of best practices within the EU

- Disseminating best practices for the use of animals in animal procedures
- Encouraging the development, validation, acceptance and use of alternatives to animal procedures, both at the national and the international level
- Supporting communication with and between professionals in the field of animal procedures and alternatives
- Communicating details of animal procedures and alternatives to the public