



Action plan – Pain management in laboratory animals

Action plan in response to the request for advice from the State Secretary of the Ministry of Economic Affairs, concerning pain management in laboratory animals.

Working title:

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Question posed:

Issuing an advisory report on the procedure involved in – and details of – best practices (in the area of pain management in laboratory animals), which can assist researchers and Animal Welfare Bodies (IvD) in recognizing and combating pain in the workplace, depending on the species involved and the nature of the animal procedure in question.

Date on which request for advice was received:

31 March 2015

Advisory report requested by:

Request made by: State Secretary of the Ministry of Economic Affairs

Date on which request for advice was processed:

17 April 2015

Nature of advice:

Full Advisory Report

Target date for completion of advisory report:

End of 2015

Communication of the advisory report:

Advisory reports and other NCad products are delivered to those who requested the advice (or to those to whom the advisory report is directed) and published via the NCad's website.

Expected milestones:

1. In the area of knowledge development: advisory report relating to tightening up the curriculum in the area of pain recognition and pain management.
2. In the area of knowledge sharing: advisory report relating to tightening up of up-to-date expertise and skills in the area of pain recognition and pain management in those involved.
3. In the area of knowledge retention: advisory report on the maintenance and improved retention of knowledge and skills related to pain recognition and pain management. Draft procedural protocols by a) formulating a Code of Practice for Pain Recognition and Pain