

Bf3R Remit

- › Intensifying research on alternative methods
- › Advising authorities and research institutions
- › Promoting acceptance for alternative methods on international level
- › Funding of research on alternative methods
- › Providing information to the public

The BfR publishes summaries of approved animal experiments in Germany: www.animaltestinfo.de and runs an international preregistration platform for animal studies www.animalstudyregistry.org

The activities of the German Centre for the Protection of Laboratory Animals are part of the Animal Welfare Initiative of the Federal Ministry of Food and Agriculture (BMEL).

The BMEL initiative opens up new approaches for more animal welfare. It supports the activities of researchers, producers, traders and consumers.

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Bf3R Remit, Objectives and Areas of Competence

Objectives of Bf3R

The German Centre for the Protection of Laboratory Animals (Bf3R) coordinates all activities throughout Germany aiming to

- › reduce animal experiments towards an absolute minimum level and
- › guarantee the best possible protection for laboratory animals.

Furthermore, the work of the Centre intends to stimulate national and international research activities and to promote the scientific dialogue.

The 3R principle

Replace:
Substitute with alternative methods

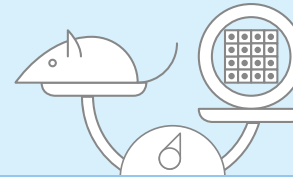
Reduce:
Decrease the number of laboratory animals

Refine:
Minimise the pain and suffering of laboratory animals

Areas of Competence of Bf3R

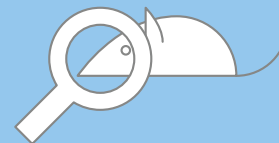
1 Centre for Documentation and Evaluation of Alternative Methods to Animal Experiments (ZEBET)

- › Advice to authorities on alternative methods to animal experiments
- › Provision of information on alternative methods
- › Development of novel alternative methods



2 Reduction of severity and improvement of animal welfare

- › Research and development of methods to reduce pain and suffering in laboratory animals (refinement)
- › Advice to authorities on measures of refinement



3 Alternative methods in toxicology

- › Development of novel test methods
- › International coordination



4 National committee

- › Advice to authorities and animal welfare bodies on the acquisition, breeding, accommodation, care and use of laboratory animals
- › EU-wide exchange of information



5 Coordination of research on alternative methods

- › Coordination of funding measures for alternative methods
- › Research and innovation management

