

The Danish 3R-Center

- and the National Committee

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Bringing people together...

Tighter control of relative humidity improves future breeding performance - a retrospective analysis

Aim of the study
The aim of the study was to evaluate the effect of relative humidity (RH) on the reproductive performance of sows and piglets in a large commercial pig-breeding farm. The study was conducted in a large-scale, multi-year, retrospective analysis of data from 2010 to 2015. The data included information on the number of piglets born, the number of piglets that survived, and the number of piglets that were weaned. The study was conducted in a large-scale, multi-year, retrospective analysis of data from 2010 to 2015. The data included information on the number of piglets born, the number of piglets that survived, and the number of piglets that were weaned.

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Results

The results of the study showed that tighter control of relative humidity (RH) significantly improved the reproductive performance of sows and piglets. The number of piglets born per sow per year (PSY) was significantly higher in the group with tighter RH control compared to the group with less tight control. The number of piglets that survived to weaning was also significantly higher in the group with tighter RH control. The number of piglets that were weaned was also significantly higher in the group with tighter RH control.



Conclusions

The study concluded that tighter control of relative humidity (RH) significantly improved the reproductive performance of sows and piglets. The number of piglets born per sow per year (PSY) was significantly higher in the group with tighter RH control compared to the group with less tight control. The number of piglets that survived to weaning was also significantly higher in the group with tighter RH control. The number of piglets that were weaned was also significantly higher in the group with tighter RH control.

SCANBUR

The Danish 3R Symposium





The annual meeting for the animal welfare bodies



3Rs prize





Dissemination

News



Animal Technicians' Symposium 2021

The NC3Rs and the Institute of Animal Technology (IAT) are hosting a virtual Animal Technicians' Symposium on Monday 11 and Tuesday 12 October (two...)
8 OCTOBER 2021



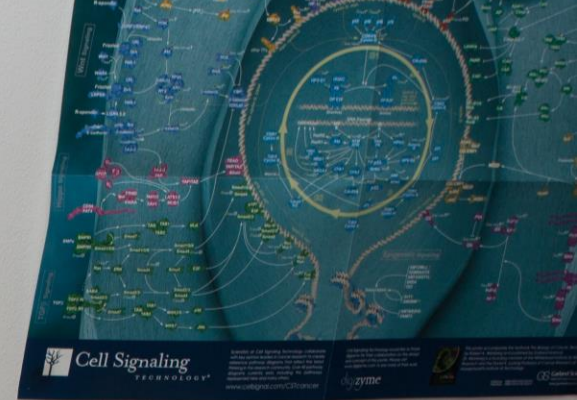
AWB Seminars held by RSPCA

Four seminars to help you focus on issues identified by AWB members and practical solutions to these issues.
6 SEPTEMBER 2021



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Research funding



Letter

Consensus Statement from the European Network of 3R Centres (EU3Rnet)

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A Network of European 3R Centres (EU3Rnet) was established in connection with the EUSAAT conference in 2018 in order to strengthen cooperation between different centres. Increased cooperation has a multitude of benefits, since many of the efforts made by local or regional centres are of national and international importance. As an important step, the members have decided to publish a consensus statement for the network.

Consensus Statement

EU3Rnet embraces *all* of the 3Rs (*Replacement*, *Reduction* and *Refinement*) throughout its work, since the 3Rs are the foundation of improved conditions for research animals and for better science.

EU3Rnet also considers it important to focus on *Non-Animal Methods*¹ as part of its collaborative efforts. *Non-Animal Methods* have largely been developed further after the introduction of the 3R concept by Russell and Burch² in 1959, thanks to technological advances in *in vitro* and *in silico* methods. EU3Rnet will therefore endeavour to promote this approach, so that researchers do not consider animal models by default when answering research questions, and instead consider the range of *Non-Animal*

Methods available, in order to avoid the unnecessary use of animal experimentation. When a relevant *Non-Animal Method* or an alternative *Replacement* method³ to an animal model does not exist, the possibilities for *Reduction* and *Refinement* of the model must be examined.

EU3Rnet considers it important that internationally relevant national efforts to develop and promote the 3Rs and *Non-Animal Methods* are disseminated within the network. The network will disseminate such information to its members, who in turn will disseminate the information further through their communication channels (which include websites, newsletters, symposia, training activities, annual reports and other channels).

EU3Rnet will emphasize the importance of involving all members of the research animal community in these efforts to develop and disseminate 3R resources. These include animal carers, technologists, veterinarians, teachers, lecturers and scientists.

All of the 3R centres in EU3Rnet pledge themselves to prioritization of their dissemination efforts. Whenever possible, they will use publically available platforms to disseminate this knowledge, in order to maximize exposure.

Cooperation



National Centre
for the Replacement
Refinement & Reduction
of Animals in Research



Utrecht University

3Rs-Centre ULS



Swiss 3R
Competence
Centre



THE SWEDISH 3Rs CENTER

Recommendations and statements



Fødevarestyrelsen den 20. September 2021

Recommendations regarding antibodies from the National Committee for Laboratory Animals and Alternatives, Denmark



Dyrevelfærdsorganerne i Danmark er særdeles velfungerende

Udtalelse fra Udvalget for Forsøgsdyr og Alternativer

*Dyrevelfærdsorganernes Styregruppe¹ foretog i 2019 en undersøgelse af landets dyrevelfærdsorganer for at opnå viden om deres *organisering, kommunikation og arbejdsopgaver*². På baggrund af denne undersøgelse - sammenholdt med erfaringer som *Udvalget for Forsøgsdyr og Alternativer* har gjort sig gennem en årrække med landets dyrevelfærdsorganer – konkluderer *udvalget*, at vi har særdeles velfungerende dyrevelfærdsorganer i Danmark – og det på trods af, at etableringen af et dyrevelfærdsorgan først blev gjort lovpligtigt i 2013.*



Brug af dyr i undervisning

Udtalelse af Danmarks 3R-Center og Udvalget for Forsøgsdyr og Alternativer

Siden etablering af Danmarks 3R-Center og Udvalget for Forsøgsdyr og Alternativer (det nationale udvalg) har bestyrelsen haft fokus på EU direktivets intention om at erstatte dyr med dyrefri metoder, hvor det er muligt. Et fokusområde har været brug af dyr i undervisningsøjemed.

I Danmark benyttes der dyr i undervisning i forbindelse med visse naturfaglige uddannelser. Det kan være undervisning ved 1) indlæring af basale færdigheder (f.eks. undervisning af dyrlæger) eller 2) ved undervisning i anatomi/fysiologi/farmakologi eller lignende, hvor det ikke er for at lære en teknik, men udelukkende af indlæringsmæssige årsager, at der benyttes forsøgsdyr. Derudover kan der være undervisning i forbindelse med kurser, hvor ovenstående inddeling også er gældende.



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Joint European funding principles for research involving animals

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November 8-9



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