



University Animal Care Committee

Policy on Animal Welfare Assessment

All animals that are used in Science at Queen's University must undergo a Welfare Assessment on a regular basis. As a guiding principle, all animals that participate in science should be healthy and express a high prevalence and diversity of positively motivated species -typical behaviour, along with low levels of abnormal behaviour. Animal Welfare is assessed through multiple integrated programs and processes, taking into consideration the following aspects:

- 1) Condition of the animal
- 2) Psychological well-being of the animal
- 3) Impact of experimental procedures on the animal
- 4)