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Position Statement

Animal Testing

Owner: Head of Group Regulatory Affairs

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1. Our Position

dsm-firmenich is committed to animal welfare and the reduction, refinement and replacement (3Rs) of animal testing.

As innovators in nutrition, health, and beauty, dsm-firmenich reinvents, manufactures, and combines vital nutrients, beauty ingredients, fragrances, flavors and other ingredients for human and animal nutrition for the world's growing population to thrive. It is our duty to provide safe products in line with the expectations of our customers and consumers.

dsm-firmenich actively invests in the development, validation and acceptance of animal-free alternative testing methods and engages with authorities, industry partners and academic institutions to replace, reduce and refine animal testing.

Only in the absence of validated alternative testing methods and when strictly required by regulations or when scientifically justified to provide insight into the benefits and mechanisms of action of our ingredients, dsm-firmenich considers testing in animals. Some regional and national rules and regulations continue to explicitly require animal studies to demonstrate the safety of our products. Defined Animal Welfare Standards and a stringent company guidance apply for the dsm-firmenich sponsored animal research studies. The compliance of the animal test facilities is continuously monitored by dsm-firmenich.

dsm-firmenich will continue our strong adherence to the 3Rs concept and our investment in the development and application of alternative research methods such as computer-based modelling (in silico), in vitro and New Approach Methodologies (NAMs) contributing to our commitment and purpose to bring progress to life.