



what is ANZCCART?

The **Australian and New Zealand Council for the Care of Animals in Research and Teaching (ANZCCART)** is an independent body which was established to provide a focus for consideration of the scientific, ethical and social issues associated with the use of animals in research and teaching. Such use is often the subject of lively debate. ANZCCART seeks to promote effective communication and co-operation between all parties and assist in the resolution of potential conflicts by promoting awareness of concerns and solutions to problems.

ANZCCART's corporate mission is to:

- promote excellence in the care of animals used in research and teaching
- ensure that the outcomes of the scientific use of animals are worthwhile
- foster informed and responsible discussion and debate within the scientific and wider community regarding the scientific uses of animals.

ANZCCART operates on a purely advisory basis and provides guidance and information to all interested parties including Animal Ethics Committees, scientists, teachers, regulatory authorities, granting agencies, government, animal welfare organisations, the media and the general public.

ANZCCART is governed by separate Boards in New Zealand and Australia. ANZCCART (NZ) is a Committee of Royal Society Te Apārangī. Its principal sponsors are the New Zealand Vice-Chancellors' Committee and AgResearch Ltd but it also receives annual contributions and/or other support from organisations including the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry and the Royal New Zealand SPCA.

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ANZCCART promotes and supports the commitment to the principles embodied in the legislation regulating the use of animals in research, testing and teaching in New Zealand (Animal Welfare Act 1999, Part 6), the Australian code of practice for the care and use of animals for scientific purposes and the relevant animal welfare legislation enforced by each State or Territory Government.

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