

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG  
Committee on the Use of Live Animals in Teaching and Research

Report on protocol applications (September 1, 2008 to February 28, 2009)

1) Number of protocols approved (Annex I)

Faculty/Department/Centre/Institute	Apr 1 - Dec 31, 06	Jan 1 – Jul 31, 07	Aug 1, 07 – Feb 29, 08	Mar 1 – Aug 31, 08	Sep 1, 08 – Feb 28, 09 Current reporting period
Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine	0	1	0	0	0
Anaesthesiology	3	2	4	1	2
Anatomy	16	17	19	10	16
Biochemistry	6	10	4	6	4
Clinical Oncology	3	3	0	2	3
Diagnostic Radiology	0	0	0	0	0
Medicine	12	18	16	13	15
Microbiology	9	2	3	5	3
Obstetrics and Gynaecology	3	7	3	2	5
Orthopaedics and Traumatology	6	5	5	1	3
Paediatrics & Adolescent Medicine	5	4	2	5	0
Pathology	5	3	2	4	7
Pharmacology	4	2	1	8	2
Physiology	9	12	7	6	7
Psychiatry	0	0	1	1	1
Surgery	16	21	11	7	12
AIDS Institute	0	0	0	1	0
Eye Institute	0	1	1	5	2
Genome Research Centre	2	0	1	1	0
HKU-Pasteur Research Centre	1	0	0	0	0
Laboratory Animal Unit	0	0	3	0	0
Molecular Chinese Medicine Laboratory	0	0	0	2	1
School of Chinese Medicine	5	4	3	2	3
Queen Mary Hospital	0	0	0	0	1
Faculty of Dentistry	3	1	3	3	4
Faculty of Engineering					
Electrical and Electronic Engineering	1	0	1	1	0
Mechanical Engineering	1	2	0	1	1
Faculty of Science					
Chemistry	3	3	1	1	2
School of Biological Sciences	/	/	7	8	6
Ecology & Biodiversity	1	0	1	/	/
Zoology	5	10	0	/	/
HKU School of Professional and Continuing Education	1	0	2	0	0
<b>Total no. of approved protocols:</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>100</b>

Notes:

- Number of approved protocols considered via the 'fast-track' approval procedure during the current reporting period (Annex II): **1**
- Number of teaching protocols approved during the current reporting period (Annex III): **1**

**2) Number of protocols unapproved:**

Faculty/Department/Centre/Institute	Mar 1 – Aug 31, 08	Sep 1, 08 – Feb 28, 09 Current reporting period
School of Chinese Medicine	1	0

**3) Number of protocols currently pending Committee's approval/investigators' response (Annex IV): 45**

**4) Processing time for completion (Annex V):**

	Apr 1 - Dec 31, 06 (2 <sup>nd</sup> report)	Jan 1 - Jul 31, 07 (3 <sup>rd</sup> Report)	Aug 1, 07 – Feb 29, 08 (3 <sup>rd</sup> Report)	Mar 1 – Aug 31, 08 (4 <sup>th</sup> Report)	Sep 1, 08 – Feb 28, 09 (5 <sup>th</sup> Report)
<b>Average processing time</b>	25.5 days	28.2 days	29.6 days	21.2 days	23.4 days
<b>Minimum processing time</b>	4 days	7 days	8 days	3 days	10 days
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> longest processing time</b>	57 days	51 days	51 days	51 days	44 days
<b>Maximum processing time</b>	136 days*	54 days	61 days	60 days	52 days

\* The PI did not reply members' queries even though two reminders were sent. He replied 3 months after 2<sup>nd</sup> reminder.

**4) Number of circulations**

- 1 (protocols approved after 1<sup>st</sup> circulation) : 3 protocols (3%)
- 2 (protocols approved after 2<sup>nd</sup> circulation) : 75 protocols (75%)
- 3 (protocols approved after 3<sup>rd</sup> circulation) : 18 protocols (18%)
- 4 (protocols approved after 4<sup>th</sup> circulation) : 4 protocol (4%)