Message from the Committee on the Use of Animals in Teaching and Research

To: All Research Animal Users

Due to a serious research non-compliance issue identified during the recent AAALAC International accreditation site visit, CULATR, in its meeting on December 20, 2022 determined that all animal users must undergo training on Animal Research Compliance.

The training course and exam should take no longer than 15 minutes to complete, but will assure that all animals users are clear that misconduct and non-compliance in animal research is not acceptable, and there is no ambiguity of the regulations.

This training course is to be completed by all personnel wishing to access research animal facilities effective January 9, 2023, and will form a mandatory course for all new CULATR protocols from the same date. The tight deadline is due to the need to report back to AAALAC International that training of personnel has been completed.

The training course can be accessed via: [http://lib.hku.hk/cgi-bin/check_form/AALAS-form](http://lib.hku.hk/cgi-bin/check_form/AALAS-form) (Click on Link in the Group Courses Section “CULATR Animal Research Compliance Course”)

Should you have difficulty in accessing the AALAS Learning Library please contact the HKU Libraries, AALAS Group contact person Ms Connie Lam via csllam@hku.hk or libser@hku.hk.

Your understanding in this matter is appreciated in ensuring that we maintain our International standards of animal care and use.

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