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

Report on protocol applications (August 1, 2007 to February 29, 2008)

1) **Number of protocols approved** (Annex I)

Faculty/Department/Centre/Institute	Oct 16, 05 - Mar 31, 06	Apr 1 - Dec 31, 06	Jan 1 – Jul 31, 07	Aug 1, 07 – Feb 29, 08	Mar 1 – Aug 31, 08 Current reporting period
Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine	0	0	1	0	0
Anaesthesiology	1	3	2	4	1
Anatomy	19	16	17	19	10
Biochemistry	5	6	10	4	6
Clinical Oncology	3	3	3	0	2
Diagnostic Radiology	1	0	0	0	0
Medicine	14	12	18	16	13
Microbiology	3	9	2	3	5
Obstetrics and Gynaecology	4	3	7	3	2
Orthopaedics and Traumatology	6	6	5	5	1
Paediatrics & Adolescent Medicine	0	5	4	2	5
Pathology	3	5	3	2	4
Pharmacology	5	4	2	1	8
Physiology	12	9	12	7	6
Psychiatry	0	0	0	1	1
Surgery	14	16	21	11	7
AIDS Institute	0	0	0	0	1
Eye Institute	0	0	1	1	5
Genome Research Centre	0	2	0	1	1
HKU-Pasteur Research Centre	0	1	0	0	0
Laboratory Animal Unit	0	0	0	3	0
Molecular Chinese Medicine Laboratory	0	0	0	0	2
School of Chinese Medicine	0	5	4	3	2
Faculty of Dentistry	4	3	1	3	3
Faculty of Engineering					
Electrical and Electronic Engineering	0	1	0	1	1
Mechanical Engineering	0	1	2	0	1
Faculty of Science					
Chemistry	2	3	3	1	1
School of Biological Sciences	/	/	/	7	8
Ecology & Biodiversity	0	1	0	1	0
Zoology	7	5	10	0	0
HKU School of Professional and Continuing Education	0	1	0	2	0
Total no. of approved protocols:	**103**	**120**	**128**	**101**	**96**

Notes:
- Number of approved protocols considered via the 'fast-track' approval procedure during the current reporting period (Annex II): **4**
- Number of teaching protocols approved during the current reporting period (Annex III): **4**

2) Number of protocols unapproved (Annex IV):

Faculty/Department/Centre/Institute	Mar 1 – Aug 31, 08 Current reporting period
School of Chinese Medicine	1

3) Number of protocols currently pending Committee's approval/investigators' response (Annex V): **14**

4) Processing time for completion (Annex VI):

	Oct 16, 05 – Mar 31, 06 (1st report)	Apr 1 - Dec 31, 06 (2nd report)	Jan 1 - Jul 31, 07 (3rd Report)	Aug 1, 07 – Feb 29, 08 (3rd Report)	Mar 1 – Aug 31, 08 (4th Report)
Average processing time	22.4 days	25.5 days	28.2 days	29.6 days	21.2 days
Minimum processing time	11 days	4 days	7 days	8 days	3 days
2nd longest processing time	42 days	57 days	51 days	51 days	51 days
Maximum processing time	43 days	136 days*	54 days	61 days	60 days

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

4) Number of circulations
1 (protocols approved after 1st circulation) :   3 protocols   (3%)
2 (protocols approved after 2nd circulation) :   74 protocols   (77%)
3 (protocols approved after 3rd circulation) :   15 protocols   (16%)
4 (protocols approved after 4th circulation) :   4 protocol   (4%)