



# Norecopa

Norway's National  
Consensus Platform

Established 10th October  
2007

# A brief history of the Norwegian NCP

**2003:** Mentioned in the Parliamentary Report on animal use and welfare in Norway

**2004-2006:** A temporary platform run by the Norwegian School of Veterinary Science and financed by the Norwegian Food Safety Authority

**2007:** A permanent platform mentioned in the Government's budget from two Ministries:  
Agriculture & Food  
Fisheries & Coastal Affairs



## Harmonisation of the Care and Use of Fish in Research

Report from an international consensus  
meeting

Gardermoen, Norway 2005

Nelly Ryder, Morte Denison, Renate Johansen  
& Adrian J. Smith

A report from  
The Norwegian Reference Centre for  
Laboratory Animal Science & Alternatives,  
Norwegian School of Veterinary Science,  
Oslo, Norway  
2005



## Analyse av forsøksfisk benyttet i Norge i 2003: Antall, arter og formål

*An analysis of the fish used  
in research in Norway in 2003:  
Numbers, species and use*

Gunnar Knudsen, Renate Johansen & Adrian J. Smith

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The Norwegian Reference Centre for  
Laboratory Animal Science & Alternatives,  
Norwegian School of Veterinary Science,  
Oslo, Norway  
2005



## Acts and Regulations concerning the Care and Use of Fish in Norwegian Research

1st Edition  
October 2005

Renate Johansen, Gunnar Knudsen & Adrian J. Smith

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The Norwegian Reference Centre for  
Laboratory Animal Science & Alternatives,  
Norwegian School of Veterinary Science,  
Oslo, Norway  
2005



## Platforms and Funds for Alternatives to Animal Experimentation

Lise Kleiveland

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The Norwegian Reference Centre for  
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## Sluttrapport fra prosjektet Nasjonal plattform for alternativer til dyreforsøk

Adrian J. Smith & Renate Johansen

Norges veterinærhøgskole  
Forskingsprosjekter

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**10th October 2007:**

Inaugural meeting of Norecopa

- statutes approved
- election of
  - Board,
  - Election Committee,
  - representative to *ecopa*,
  - Auditor



Bernward Garthoff at Norecopa's inaugural meeting

## ***Structure of Norecopa:***

- *An independent members organisation*
- *Annual General Meeting*
- *Board with representatives of all 4 stakeholders*
- *Election Committee*
- *Auditor*
- *Representative to ecopa*
- *Secretariat*

## ***The Board:***

- *Bente Bergersen, Chair*  
*Norwegian Food Safety Authority*  
[\*bente.bergersen@mattilsynet.no\*](mailto:bente.bergersen@mattilsynet.no)
- *Dag Marcus Eide*  
*National Institute of Public Health*
- *Signe Videm*  
*GE Healthcare*
- *Live Kleveland*  
*Norwegian Animal Welfare Alliance*

**1st November 2007:**

Secretariat established at the  
Norwegian Veterinary Institute  
(Secretary Adrian Smith, 50% position +  
administrative help)

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The website of the Norwegian School of Veterinary Science currently hosts Norecopa, but a new website is under development:

**www.norecopa.no**

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- Guidelines
- Information to the public
- The NORINA database
- The TextBase database
- Overview of other 3Rs databases
- Resources on fish in research
- Educational material

# Many challenges in fish and wildlife research

- availability of standardised fish
- health and welfare
- refinement of procedures
- species specific data

- health and welfare
- refinement of procedures
- stress and pain control
- statistical methods



Photo: Inger Helen Stenevik

# ***Harmonisation of the Care and Use of Animals in Field Research***

**An international consensus meeting,  
Gardermoen, Oslo**

**21st - 23rd May 2008**

***More information will be posted on:***  
**[www.norecopa.no](http://www.norecopa.no)**