

**Astex Therapeutics Limited Use of Experimental Animals**

In the course of Astex’s work to discover new drugs to benefit serious, life-threatening diseases, it is sometimes necessary to carry out studies in experimental animals. All such studies we perform adhere to the principles of the 3Rs (replacement, reduction and refinement) which is a framework for performing more humane animal research and are carried out under the United Kingdom statutory regulations including the Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act 1986. When sponsoring studies externally we require all contractors, at a minimum, to comply with the standards of AAALAC International (http://www.aaalac.org/), or if more stringent, any national, state or local laws governing the performance of animal procedures.

Further information on Research Involving Animals by the Otsuka group can be found here: https://www.otsuka.com/en/csr/society/quality/rd.html