

# Statement on animal testing



**Our purpose is to improve the quality of life for people today and for future generations. Assuring the performance, quality, and safety of our products is vital to our purpose and our mission. National authorities require new food products and other ingredients to be safe for human consumption and use, and in certain cases animal testing is necessary to comply with national regulations.**

Regarding animal testing, Corbion follows the Three Rs (3Rs) framework. The 3Rs is an ethical framework for animal testing and stands for replace, reduce, and refine. We first search for alternatives to replace animal testing. If animal testing cannot be avoided we aim to reduce the number of animals involved in testing as much as possible, and refine testing processes to improve animal welfare.

Accordingly, animal testing only takes place where absolutely necessary as part of the regulatory process to commercialize a product. Next to this, Corbion adheres to European Union cosmetics REGULATION (EC) No 1223/2009 and Corbion will not perform animal testing for cosmetic purposes. The principles in this statement apply to all Corbion operations globally, including research outsourced to third parties. We are deeply committed to upholding high ethical standards and minimizing the need to conduct animal testing. Until there are scientific advances that enable us to replace animal testing we will follow all legal and accepted animal testing protocols to protect animal welfare.