

Our commitment to animal well-being

Ajinomoto Co., aims to contribute to “Health and Well-being” of all life forms through its business areas of “Foods” and “Amino Science”. In R&D activities for those, animal studies will only be performed for safety and efficacy evaluations required/recommended by authorities, evaluations of nutrient effects for humans and animals and those required by stakeholders.

In such cases, Ajinomoto Co. shall comply with the international scientific and ethical general rule of “3R” (Replacement, Reduction and Refinement), which is declared in the Japanese Law, “Act on Welfare and Management of Animals”. Researchers and technicians involved in rearing and experimenting on animals shall be educated in animal physiology, biology and behavior and receive education on animal ethics before they start actual activities.

Third party authorization is being planned for Ajinomoto Co.’s animal study facility as a suitable facility managing both ethical and scientific aspects.