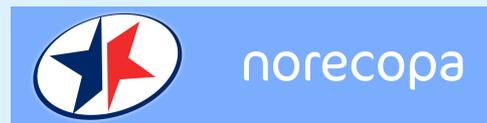


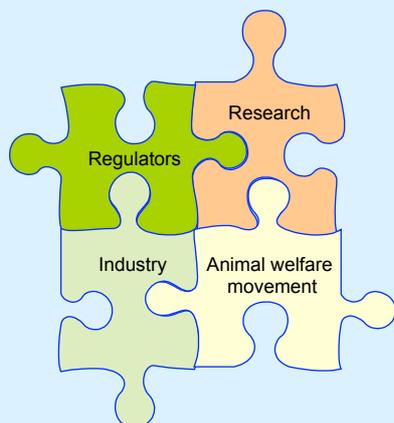
Collaboration between national 3R-platforms and the lab animal community: Norecopa as an example



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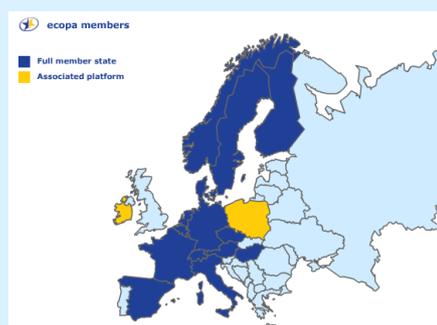
Norecopa promotes all 3 Rs of Russell & Burch:

**Replacement
Reduction
Refinement**



Norecopa is Norway's consensus-platform for the 3Rs.

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- has arranged international consensus meetings on harmonisation of the care and use of fish, wildlife and agricultural animals in research, with the presentations and a consensus document from each meeting available on the web
- appointed an international working group that developed guidelines for the severity classification of procedures used on fish, to complement the EC report on this topic
- has produced scientific statements on topical issues such as food deprivation and toe-clipping
- maintains two websites with 3Rs resources
- has translated a compendium on lab animal science for fish researchers into English
- organises seminars highlighting the 3Rs
- awards an annual 3R-prize
- runs a discussion forum for lab animal facility managers and produces a newsletter 8-9 times a year.

We believe this to be a feasible model for other European countries also: to enhance the exchange of information between stakeholders, improve implementation of the 3Rs and facilitate international harmonisation.

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