Rodent and Other "Laboratory Animal" Products (Including Blood) for Research Purposes

The United Kingdom (UK) does not require government certification for materials derived from rodents or other laboratory animals* imported from the United States and intended for **research purposes**. ["Research purposes" do not include the production of products for commercial sale for use in research.]

The importer in the UK must apply to UK authorities for an import license. The import license should not require any government certification of the materials.

Exception: The information in this document does not apply to materials exported to the United Kingdom (UK) for human or animal consumption, nor materials the UK determines may be importable as intermediate products under Regulation (EU) 142/2011 as amended.

For more information on obtaining import licenses, the UK importer may contact UK import authorities [for contact information, please go back to the previous page and select "Contact information for UK government (for questions from UK importers)"].

Materials derived from rodents or other laboratory animals* intended for the production of materials for commercial sale must be imported with the pertinent Regulation (EU) 142/2011 as amended document. For more information on Regulation (EU) 142/2011 please go to the "European Union" page of this website.

*Other laboratory animals include species normally raised for food, e.g. lambs, but which are instead raised for the production of other materials (and not subjected to inspection for human consumption).