

## **ANIMAL ETHICS ON-LINE**

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- **Started planning late 2006**
- **Built in house and went live October 2007**
- **Reviewed but did not document processes (*BIG MISTAKE*)**



## **Benefits:**

### **To Secretariat:**

- **Streamline reporting**
- **Streamline record keeping**
- **Less data entry/Less errors**
- **Do minutes on-line during meeting**

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## **Benefits to the Secretariat:**

- **Same day feedback**
- **Easier (than paper) to handle information**
- **All communications on-line (save time)**
- **Automated reminders**

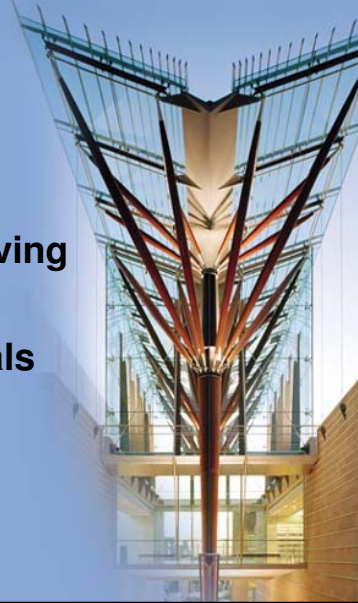
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## **Benefits to the Secretariat:**

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- **Monitoring on-line**
- **Improve efficiencies/Time saving**
- **Link grants to ethics approvals**



## **Benefits: To Researchers**

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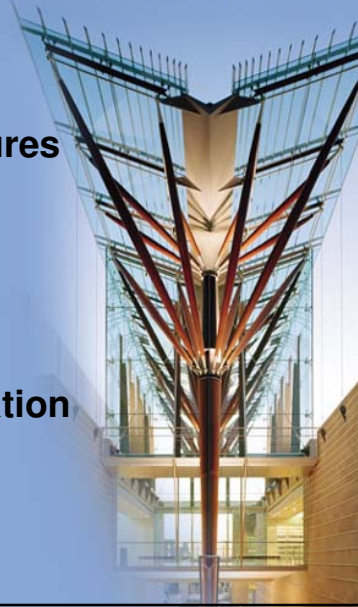
- **Quicker submissions/modifications**
- **Can check approval status remotely (from anywhere in the world !!!)**



## **Benefits to the researchers**

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- **Do not need to chase signatures**
- **Complete record/audit trail**
- **Easier (than paper) to track versions and handle information**



## **Benefits:**

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### **To Committee Members:**

- **Look at projects on-line rather than papers**
- **Control/Find for details**



## **Benefits to Committee Members:**

- **Executive meetings on-line**
- **Not paperless – but may be one day!!**

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## **Negatives:**

- **Planning meetings very time consuming over long period**
- **Enhancement/bugs time consuming over long period**
- **Keeping the show on the road.....**

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**Reaping many benefits now  
but not using the system to  
full potential as yet**

