

25th April 2025

Letter of commitment to the priorities of the Concordat for the Environmental Sustainability of Research and Innovation Practice

I, **Dr Simon Cook, Director** on behalf of **the Babraham Institute**, confirm our commitment to the priority areas outlined in the Concordat for the Environmental Sustainability of Research and Innovation Practice.

The Babraham Institute fully supports the priority areas outlined in the concordat. We will deliver against all the priorities in practice and recognise our responsibilities as a signatory, as set out in the concordat.

By signing this concordat, we recognise the need to change how we conduct research and innovation as well as promote wider solutions. We also agree to take shared action now and into the future to reduce and eliminate our own environmental impacts and emissions and achieve the transition to sustainable practices.

The Babraham Institute recognises the scale and urgency of the unfolding climate and ecological crises, the intersection between these issues and our research mission in improving human health, and thus the critical importance of embedding sustainable best practice across our science, workplace and shared campus.

As a BBSRC core-funded institute, we are guided by UKRI's net zero target of 2040. Through our established 'Green Labs' programme, we are working to improve sustainability across a range of areas, aligned with the concordat, including energy, waste, water and procurement in our labs, commuting, conference travel, food and finance in the wider workplace, nature and biodiversity on our campus, and communications, embedding and engagement, with both scientific and local communities. This work has been recognised with Platinum Green Impact accreditation (2022-3 and 2023-4, SOS-UK).

We are proud to sign the Concordat for the Environmental Sustainability of Research and Innovation Practice as the next milestone in our commitment to sustainability, as we undertake our research mission to understand human biology and improve lifelong health.

Yours sincerely



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