

### **IAEC Approval of Animal Studies**

Animal husbandry, handling and treatments were performed in accordance with the CPCSEA guidelines. Animals were provided pelleted diet and water *ad libitum* unless otherwise indicated. They were housed in polypropylene cages with paddy husk as bedding under a temperature range and relative humidity of  $22 \pm 2^{\circ}\text{C}$  and 50-75% RH respectively. A 12hr light/dark cycle was followed and animals were monitored daily.

All the studies mentioned in this document were approved by the Institutional Animal Ethics Committee (IAEC), Pharmacy Dept., Faculty of Tech. & Engg., The M. S. University of Baroda *vide* the protocol numbers mentioned below:

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