

# BVA Position on UK sustainable animal agriculture    Executive summary

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As the world population continues to grow and the number of people that can afford to eat meat increases<sup>1</sup>, global consumption of animal-derived food is expected to double by 2050.<sup>2</sup> With increasing recognition that animal agriculture can be a significant contributor to environmental degradation, climate change, habitat loss and waste, changes in animal production and farming practices are necessary to increase efficiency of agriculture and mitigate environmental impact.

Ensuring the health and welfare of sentient animals is important as a marker of social progress, as well





