	Animal Experimentation Ethics Committee Policy on Principal Investigator Eligibility
Objective	To provide information on the eligibility to serve as Principal Investigator on AEEC protocols
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The purpose of this policy is to stipulate the eligibility criteria to serve as Principal Investigator (PI) on AEEC protocols. PI refers to the person who bears the primary responsibility for the design, execution, and the oversight of the finance, administration and compliance of the research.

The eligibility criteria are as follows:

- 1. Academic staff at Assistant Professor rank or Research Assistant Professor rank or above; or
- 2. Other staff members, with the approval of the immediate supervisor and the Chairperson of the Research Committee, or the Department Head for non-grant applications, may, on rare occasion including grant requirements, be authorized to serve as the PI on an AEEC protocol if there is a compelling justification. The Department Chair or Center Director can forward such a request to aeec@cuhk.edu.hk.