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Media Release

**From the
Universities Federation for Animal Welfare (UFAW)**

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For Immediate Release:**

UFAW launches two new awards for animal welfare science

Animal welfare science plays a fundamental and increasingly important role in the advancement of animal welfare, informing and motivating our knowledge and understanding of animals' needs and how best to meet them. As part of its promotion and support of high quality science and educational activities for animal welfare, the Universities Federation for Animal Welfare (UFAW) is launching two new awards for 2011.

The UFAW Medal for Outstanding Contributions to Animal Welfare Science will recognise the exceptional achievements of an individual scientist who has made a major contribution to the advancement of animal welfare. It is open to individuals whose research, teaching, service and advocacy has significantly benefited the welfare of animals. Nominated candidates may be based anywhere in the world. The winner of the award will receive a cheque for £3,000, a commemorative medal and framed award certificate.

The UFAW Young Animal Welfare Scientist of the Year award will recognise the achievements of a young scientist who has made significant contributions to improving the welfare of animals. It is open to students, anywhere in the world, currently studying for a doctoral degree and to post doctoral scientists who are within six years of completing their PhD work. The winner of this award will receive a cheque for £1,000 and a framed award certificate.

Further information and nomination forms for either award, which must be submitted to UFAW by 30th November 2010, are available on the 'Grants and Awards' page of the UFAW website (www.ufaw.org.uk) or from UFAW, The Old School, Brewhouse Hill, Wheathampstead, Herts AL4 8AN, UK. Telephone +44 (0)1582 831818, fax +44 (0)1582 831414, email scioff@ufaw.org.uk.

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Note to Editors:

The Universities Federation for Animal Welfare (UFAW) is an internationally recognised, independent scientific and educational animal welfare charity. It works to improve knowledge and understanding of animals' needs in order to achieve high standards of welfare for farm, companion, research, captive wild animals and those with which we interact in the wild.

UFAW improves animal welfare worldwide through its programme of awards, grants and scholarships; by educational initiatives, especially at university and college level; by providing information in books, videos, reports and in its scientific journal *Animal Welfare*; by providing expert advice to governments and others, including for legislation and 'best practice' guidelines and codes; and by working with animal keepers, scientists, vets, lawyers and all those who care about animals.

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