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

I, **Prof Kerry Hood** on behalf of the **UKCRC Registered CTU Network**, confirm our commitment to the three priority areas of Leadership, Emissions from Travel and Collaborations & Partnership as outlined in the Concordat for the Environmental Sustainability of Research and Innovation Practice.

As UK wide network of academic CTUs we will work to show leadership in the sector for environmental sustainability in non-commercial trials as well as considering how we drive our business and networking forward and how we work with our partners. We do not have direct responsibility for procurement and estate policies or producing emissions data, but we will provide our members with tools available to support them to engage with this in their host organisations (predominantly Universities). We will also continue to support the development of the Carbon Foot Printing tool for trials and champion it's use.

By supporting 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.

Whilst we only feel that we can focus on three of the target areas, we commit to providing a narrative update publicly on our progress on these annually on our website (https://ukcrc-ctu.org.uk/) as well as reporting to the UKCRC Board.

Yours Truly

Prof Kerry Hood

Director