

Rigi-Workshop, where disciplines meet

# How to improve animal experimentation: From A to Z

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- Learn how to plan, execute and publish your research most efficiently
- Approach the Reduction, Refinement and Replacement (3R) of animal experimentation
- Discuss cutting-edge results from neighbouring disciplines
- Meet people that can boost your own research
- Present your own research



Invited speakers:

#### About steps prior to experiment planning and efficient literature searches

Merel Ritskes-Hoitinga, Marlies Leenaars, Radboud University Nijmegen Medical Center, NL

#### Legal and ethical aspects to consider when applying a request for animal experiments

Marcel Gyger, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne, Switzerland

Bernard Baertschi, University of Geneva, Switzerland

#### Statistical considerations

Michael Festing, University of Leicester, UK

#### Transgenic animals as research models

Friedrich Beermann, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne, Switzerland

#### To what extent is modelling an alternative to experimentation?

A discussion about some advantages and disadvantages of biological models

François Rochat, University of Fribourg, Switzerland

#### Rules for paper writing

Beat Riederer, University of Lausanne, Switzerland

Marlies Leenaars, Radboud University Nijmegen Medical Center, NL

This 3-day course is held in English. PhD students from all Swiss institutions of Higher Learning are most strongly encouraged to apply. Postdoctoral applications are also considered. The course will count for continuous education in animal welfare. Having previously participated at module 1 training is mandatory. Applicants are asked to submit a research title/abstract and a short letter of motivation for attending before September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011. The organizing committee will select 40 of the most outstanding applicants to participate in this workshop.

Organizer: Beat Riederer, Department of Cell Biology and Morphology, University of Lausanne

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