Consortium for Public Outreach on Animal Research

The Consortium for Public Outreach on Animal Research is a group of organisations from Europe and the USA dedicated to informing the public about, and advocating for, the responsible use of animals in research www.animalresearchconsortium.com

You can contact us via our website, or our Twitter account <u>@AR_Consortium</u> which will be regularly updated throughout the FENS Forum 2020.

Below, is a brief description of each member of the Consortium, and the work they conduct, together with links and contact details. You can also leave a message or questions for us at the Consortium's exhibition booth.

<u>Europe</u>



Basel Declaration Society, www.basel-declaration.org, @BaselDec Contact: Ina Buch, buch@basel-declaration.org

The purpose of the «Basel Declaration Society» is to strengthen public awareness of the importance of animal models in experimental biomedical research, to foster communication between researchers and the public, and to enhance acceptance of the Basel Declaration. Like the Helsinki Declaration, which forever altered the ethical landscape of human clinical research, the aim of the «Basel Declaration

Society» is to bring the scientific community together to further advance the implementation of ethical principles such as the 3Rs whenever animals are being used in research.



European Animal Research Associations, $\underline{www.eara.eu}$ @The_EARA

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The European Animal Research Association (EARA) is a communications and advocacy organisation, representing both public and private institutions in the biomedical sector, with member institutions across Europe. Its mission is to inform people about the continued need for, and benefits of, the humane use of animals in scientific research, by providing accurate and evidence-based information.



Federation of European Neuroscience Societies, www.fens.org, @FENSorg

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Founded in 1998 at the first Forum of European Neuroscience, the Federation of European Neuroscience Societies (FENS) is the main organisation for neuroscience in Europe. FENS currently represents 43 European national and single discipline neuroscience societies with close to 22,000 member scientists from 33 European countries. FENS promotes neuroscience research to policy-makers, funding bodies and the general public, both regionally and internationally. Hence, FENS promotes excellence in neuroscience research and facilitates the exchange and networking between neuroscientists within the European Research Area and beyond.



NeuroWissenschaftliche Gesellschaft/German Neuroscience Society (NWG/GNS), https://www.nwq-info.de/

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In many cases, animal experiments are crucial for understanding the brain in health and disease, as we are far from modeling its complexity in the test tube, in cell culture or in the computer. Research on higher brain function sometimes requires the use of highly developed animals. The

GNS supports scientists in case they are under attack by animal rights groups, and to raise public awareness for their research, e.g. with open letters. It advocates the responsible use of laboratory animals at national and European level and is in contact with the European Parliament in this regard.



Aids und Alzheimer, und auch bei Tieren.

Tierversuche Verstehen, <u>www.tierversuche-</u> <u>verstehen.de</u>,

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Tierversuche verstehen" ist eine Initiative der deutschen Wissenschaft, koordiniert von der Allianz der Wissenschaftsorganisationen. Sie informiert umfassend, aktuell und faktenbasiert über Tierversuche an öffentlich geförderten Forschungseinrichtungen. Die biomedizinische Forschung dient unmittelbar der Aufklärung grundlegender Prozesse im Organismus und der Entwicklung neuer Verfahren in der Prävention, Diagnose und Therapie von Erkrankungen beim Menschen wie Krebs, Diabetes,



Understanding Animal Research, <u>www.uar.org.uk</u>, @animalresearch Contact: Wendy Jarrett, WJarrett@uar.org.uk

Understanding Animal Research is a Mutual Society (not-for-profit organisation) that explains why animals are used in medical and scientific research. We aim to achieve a broad understanding of the humane use of

animals in medical, veterinary, scientific and environmental research in the UK. We are funded by our members who include universities, professional societies, industry and charities.

United States



AAALAC International, www.aaalac.org, @AAALAC Contact: Eduardo Rosa-Molinar, erm@ku.edu

promotes the humane treatment of animals in science through voluntary accreditation and assessment programs. More than 1,000 companies, universities, hospitals, government agencies and other research institutions in 49 countries have earned AAALAC accreditation, demonstrating their commitment to responsible animal care and use. These institutions volunteer to participate in AAALAC's program, in addition to complying with the local, state and federal laws that regulate animal research. Some of the institutions that have earned AAALAC accreditation include the Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, The American Red Cross, and the National Institutes of Health.



Americans for Medical Progress, www.amprogress.org, @curedisease

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Americans for Medical Progress is dedicated to protecting your investment in biomedical research. We focus on public outreach that builds understanding and appreciation for necessary and humane animal research. We also provide vital news, information and analysis to biomedical research stakeholders to ensure they have the resources they need to deflect campaigns that threaten the future of medical progress.



National Primate Research Centers, www.NPRC.org, www.NPRC.org, and oNPRC.org,

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The seven National Primate Research Centers (NPRCs) are a national network of dedicated teams fighting diseases from Alzheimer's to Zika and improving human and animal health and lives worldwide. In partnership with the National Institutes of Health and others, the NPRCs conduct and

enable approximately 1,000 studies annually that make breakthrough discoveries of causes, preventions, treatments and cures possible. The NPRCs coordinate educational and community outreach programs across the United States, and as a member of the Consortium for Public Outreach on Animal Research, the NPRCs participate in and support additional efforts worldwide to help people understand the critical role animals bring to advancing human and animal health and lives.

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Society for Neuroscience, <u>www.sfn.org</u>, @sfntweets, *Contact: Michael Heintz*, <u>mheintz@sfn.org</u>

Founded in 1969, the Society for Neuroscience (SfN) now has more than 37,000 members in more than 95 countries. Year-round programming includes the publishing of two highly regarded scientific journals, JNeurosci and eNeuro; professional development resources and career

training through Neuronline, the Society's home for learning and discussion; science advocacy and public policy engagement including annual Capitol Hill Day; and a variety of engaging public outreach efforts, led by the expanding and interactive collection of public-facing resources on BrainFacts.org.