

“CONSIDERING ALTERNATIVES; MAKING A DIFFERENCE”

USDA Animal Care/Animal Welfare Information Center Workshop September 23-24, 2009 Kansas City, Missouri

Wednesday, September 23

- 8:30 am **Welcome/Introductions**
- 9:00 am **Animal Welfare Legislation (AWA, regulations, policies)**
- 10:00 am **Definition of Alternatives (the 3Rs: Reduction, Replacement, Refinement)**
- 10:15 am **Break**
- 10:30 am **Susan Silk, M.S.; NIH Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare
*Considering the “Reduction” Alternative***
- 11:00 am **Alfred Barron, M.S.; Johnson & Johnson PRD
*Considering the “Reduction” Alternative***
- 11:30 am **Annette Hildebrand, D.V.M.; U.S. Department of Defense
*Considering the “Replacement” Alternative***
- 12:00 Noon **LUNCH (*Note: on your own—cafeteria on the premises*)**
- 1:00 pm **Rodger Curren, Ph.D.; Institute for In Vitro Sciences, Inc.
*Considering the “Replacement” Alternative***
- 1:30 pm **Elizabeth Ford, D.V.M.; The Scripps Research Institute
*Considering the “Refinement” Alternative***
- 2:00 pm **Lauretta Garrity, D.V.M.; University of Alabama at Birmingham
*Considering the “Refinement” Alternative***
- 2:30 pm **Break**
- 2:45 pm **AWIC services and databases**
- 3:15 pm **Introduction to search strategies, mechanics**
- 4:30 pm **END**

Thursday, September 24

- 8:30 am **Review of previous day**
- 9:00 am **Small group discussion: Sample protocol review(s) of the
“consideration of alternatives”**
- 9:45 am **Hands-on database searching using sample protocol(s)**
- 10:30 am **Break**
- 10:45 am **Presentation of group findings and conclusions**
- 12:00 Noon **LUNCH (*Note: on your own—cafeteria on the premises*)**
- 1:00 pm **Continue hands-on database searching using institutional protocols
or other examples**
- 2:45 pm **Break**
- 3:00 pm **Tanya Tims, D.V.M.; USDA-APHIS-AC Western Region
*USDA Animal Care perspective***
- 3:30 pm **George Babcock, Ph.D.; University of Cincinnati
*IACUC Chair perspective***
- 4:00 pm **END**