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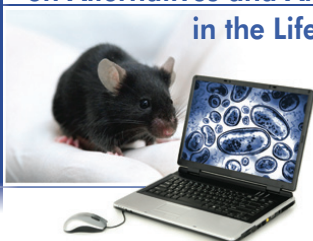
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The World Congresses on Alternatives and Animal Use in the Life Sciences are the longest running series of international scientific conferences dedicated to the replacement, reduction, and refinement (3Rs) of animal use in research and safety testing. Since 1993, these conferences have been held every 2-3 years, and have attracted a large international group of stakeholders and leading experts interested in scientific approaches to the development and use of methods that replace, reduce, and/or refine animal-based laboratory methods.

The 8<sup>th</sup> World Congress (WC8) will take place in historic Montreal from August 21-25, 2011, hosted by the Canadian Council on Animal Care. Participants can start planning their stay by visiting the General Information of the WC8 website (<http://www.wc8.ccac.ca/>).

Registration and abstract submission for the Congress is now open on the website.

The Preliminary Scientific Program is diverse, spanning from toxicity testing to animal welfare policy to issues unique to farm animal and wildlife research, and is divided into five Themes.

- Theme I:** Safety and efficacy testing of chemicals, pharmaceuticals and biological
- Theme II:** Policy/law on animal use, public engagement and ethical review
- Theme III:** Incorporation of the Three Rs in Education and Training
- Theme IV:** Animal Welfare for Refinement and High Quality Science
- Theme V:** Replacement and Reduction in Basic Research

The deadline for submission of an abstract for inclusion in one of the scientific sessions is **April 10, 2010**.

The Congress will also feature satellite meetings, multimedia demonstrations, point-counterpoint debates and reporting sessions on the latest developments in the field.

Participants will also note that single day registration is available and the final scientific program will feature days that are geared towards a specific topic or special interest group. For instance, the first day of the Congress will highlight topics of particular interest to members of institutional animal care committees (otherwise known as IACUCs or animal ethics committees).

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