

EARA goals and milestones

Information

- Advised on the creation of Pro-Test Germany, a new educational organisation providing reliable information about research using animals
- Brought Belgian research organisations together to mark World Day for Laboratory Animals 2016
- Coordinated a statement in support of European Directive 2010/63/EU
- Featured in national and international media promoting a balanced dialogue



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Supportive Climate

- Developed a membership network of over 40 research centres with experts in all disciplines of animal research
- Co-created Research4Life, a new advocacy platform in Italy defending biomedical research
- Coordinated the submission of written and oral evidence to counter mounting pressure against animal research, in cases including:
 - * The 'Stop Vivisection' European Citizens' Initiative (ECI)
 - * A bill before the Australian Senate to ban the importation of non-human primates
 - * Campaigns against breeders and transport companies

Communications Advice

- Prepared a communications handbook on animal research for member organisations
- Provided workshops on communication strategies and crisis management
- Advised organisations on how to progress toward a transparent communications approach



Supply Chain

- Led discussions with transport providers to improve options for lab animal transportation
- Gathered decision makers' support for Air France, the only commercial airline currently transporting non-human primates for research
- Countered activists' campaigns against airlines

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The European Animal Research Association (EARA) was founded in March 2014 prompted by the scientific community's recognition that Europe needed a platform where citizens and journalists could learn the facts and benefits of biomedical animal research.

EARA is a membership organisation supported by private and public research organisations and other institutions whose activities directly include the use or supply of animals for educational or research purposes. EARA's mission is to improve the understanding of biomedical animal research.

EARA's strategy focuses on four principal goals:

- To better inform and educate audiences on the continued need for, and benefits from, the responsible use of animals in biomedical research
- To create a favourable climate for animal research by influencing EU political decision makers
- To lead pan-European initiatives to counter pressure on the laboratory animals supply chain and the licence to use laboratory animals in research
- To support research institutions that perform ethical and responsible research using animals

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"EARA did a marvellous job in opposing the 'Stop Vivisection' European Citizens Initiative. They organised visits to research facilities for members of the European Parliament and co-organised a high profile information meeting for regulatory authorities to learn the facts behind animal research. I spoke at that meeting because I believe that it is vital for scientists to participate in this dialogue if we are to continue doing research under the current strict yet supportive regulations."

- Professor Roberto Caminiti
La Sapienza University, Rome (IT)

"EARA has played an invaluable role for the Max Planck Society in helping to co-ordinate collaboration with other European organisations performing animal research. EARA, alongside the Wellcome Trust, published a statement supporting European Directive 2010/63/EU on the protection of animals used for scientific purposes, which was signed by the MPS and over 250 other organisations. Their expertise on animal research communication and training delivered at our institutes has supported us in the development of our communications policies."

- Dr Christiane Walch-Solimena
Presidential Division, Max Planck Society (DE)

"The outstanding work of research supportive organisations such as EARA, and GIRCOR in France, has created the supportive framework required to continue developing our activities in service of scientific research and healthcare development. This support ended in the signature of a protocol between representatives of French public and private research and Air France. We encourage other industries to seek support in place of conceding to contentious arguments."

- Meriem Touisi Saadi
Veterinarian, Regulation and Special Transport Manager, Air France (FR)

"EARA helped us to counter a request to amend the Australian law to ban the importation of non-human primates to Australia for the purposes of scientific research. They provided written evidence and mobilised the European scientific community to oppose this bill. This coordinated effort of the global scientific community supported the decision of the Australian Senate to reject the proposal."

- Associate Professor James Bourne,
Australian Regenerative Medicine Institute, Monash University (AUS)

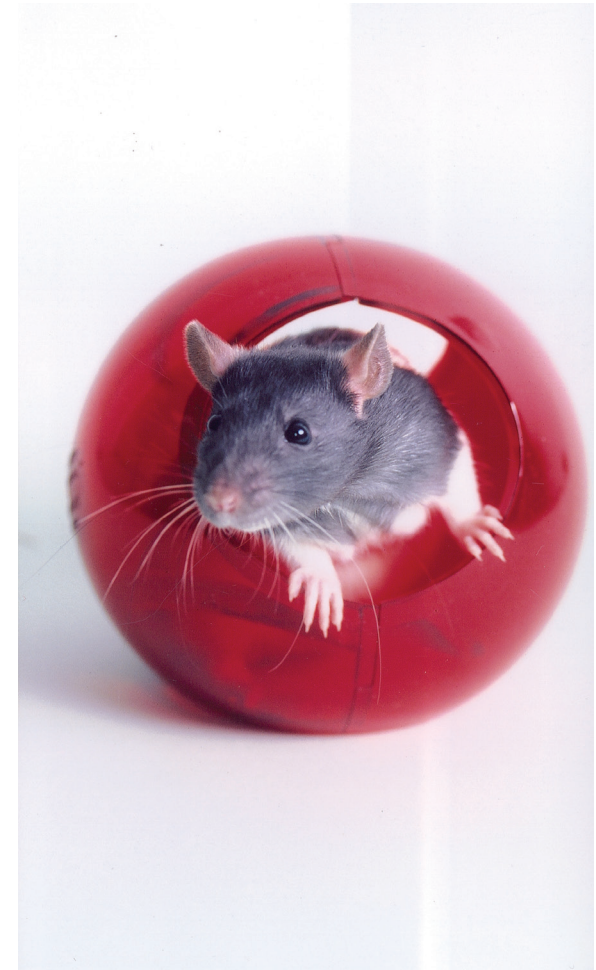
"The number of research institutions committed to improving public understanding of research using animals is increasing in Europe. 100 organisations have now signed the Concordat on Openness on Animal Research in the UK. The drive for more openness is the result of the continued work of organisations like UAR and EARA in collaboration with communicators and scientists. The public deserves to know the facts about why and how animals are used in biomedical research and I am delighted to see that the support provided by EARA has successfully encouraged more openness in countries such as Belgium and Italy."

- Wendy Jarrett
Chief Executive, Understanding Animal Research (UK)



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