Improving Welfare and Reproducibility in Zebrafish Research

9-11 April 2024, Exeter, UK

The University of Exeter (with funding from the NC3Rs and support from the RSPCA Animals in Science Department) is pleased to present: 'Improving Welfare and Reproducibility in Zebrafish Research' – a 2.5 day in-person workshop in Exeter, UK.

This workshop will address the latest developments in the field of zebrafish husbandry and care, including the effects of water chemistry on zebrafish reproducibility and welfare. It will also include invited presentations from Christian Lawrence (SmartLabs), Simon MacKenzie (University of Stirling), Lynne Sneddon (University of Gothenburg), Justin Sanders (Carlson College of Vet Medicine, Oregon State University), Robert Gerlai (University of Toronto) and Carole Wilson (IAT Council member and former head of the zebrafish facility at University College London). There will be plenty of opportunities for formal and informal discussions on zebrafish welfare and reproducibility, including breakout groups and social events.

More details on the agenda will be added in due course.

Registration fee: £300 (includes lunches, evening meals and refreshments). This is payable to the RSPCA who are acting as agent on behalf of the University of Exeter in collecting this money.

Registration closes on Friday 22nd March 2024.

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Call for Abstracts

We welcome abstracts for short talks and poster presentations related to any aspect of welfare and reproducibility in zebrafish research. Abstracts should be submitted by email to animalsinscience@rspca.org.uk.

Guidelines:

- Abstracts should be submitted in English. Please use Microsoft Word for Windows or Google Docs when submitting an abstract.
- Abstracts should not exceed 300 words in length, excluding the title and author details.
- Abstracts should clearly state the title, authors' names and institutional addresses with the presenting author underlined, the email address of the presenting author and







whether the submission is for an oral or poster presentation. An example is provided below.

- Contributors are expected to register and present their work in person.
- Successful abstracts will be published in the workshop booklet. It is the responsibility of the authors to ensure the accuracy of their submission.
- By submitting an abstract, you confirm on behalf of the co-authors that the abstract is your own original work, that you have obtained necessary permissions relating to images and data, and that any work described that has used animals has been carried with any necessary approval by a local ethics committee and, if appropriate, under licence in accordance with local regulations.

Abstract submission closes at 5pm GMT on 23 February 2024. Any abstracts received after this will not be considered. Abstracts will be assessed by the organising committee, and the outcomes will be communicated to authors by 8 March 2024.

Example abstract:

Submission type: Talk (poster considered)

TITLE OF ABSTRACT

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