

SESSION 4: CHALLENGES WITH OPENNESS/TRANSPARENCY ABOUT CARE FOR RESEARCH ANIMALS

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The Plan

- * Discuss the animal rights advocates evolution & animal welfare advocates evolution
 - * Has some activism been due to a lack of response by the institution when there is a CF/animal problem?
- * Discuss animal regulation/law evolution
- * Discuss Openness/Transparency initiatives (UK Concordat, Basel Declaration)
- * Address the reluctance to speak out

Background

- * The discussion over transparency/openness is not new
- * The methods and thus the environment for communication has changed

Background

- * National Society for Medical Research (1945)
 - * "...founded to improve public understanding of the principals methods and needs of the biological services."
 - * Merged with NABR in 1985
- * Illinois Society for Medical Research (1951)
 - * "...to educate the public on the benefits of medical research, particularly on the necessity of animal experimentation."

Background

- * National Association for Biomedical Research (1979)
 - * “Advocating sound public policy in support of ethical and essential animal research.”
 - * Foundation for Biomedical Research (1981)
 - * “promotes understanding and support for biomedical research”
- * Americans for Medical Progress (1991)
 - * “...focus on public outreach that builds understanding and appreciation for necessary and humane animal research”

Background

- * Speaking of Research (2008)
 - * “...provides accurate information about the importance of animal research in the biomedical, behavioral, and life science.”
- * State Organizations – (late 80’s – early 90s)
- * People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (1980)
 - * 1981 – Silver Springs Monkeys
 - * “...the transformation of PETA from a group of friends into a national movement, the creation of the first North American [Animal Liberation Front](#) cell, and the first animal research case to reach the United States Supreme Court.”
 - * Transformed the communication environment

Background

- * 5th International Conference of the Basel Declaration Society - OPENNESS AND TRANSPARENCY: BUILDING TRUST IN ANIMAL RESEARCH – Feb. 2018
 - * Openness and Transparency in Animal Research
 - * Outreach to Students and General Public
 - * Online Communication and Social Networks
 - * Transparency and the 3Rs

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