ICLAS Programs

Scientific Meetings

ICLAS partners with a Member Association scientific meeting every 4 years. A General Assembly is held at the meeting, to include elections for the Governing Board and Officers. The Governing Board meets annually in conjunction with a regional scientific meeting.

Regional Programs

Regional scientific meetings, courses, training fellowships, travel awards, and educational initiatives are organized with laboratory animal science organizations throughout the world. Financial support for these activities may be requested by ICLAS members. Regional committees exist for Europe, Asia & India, the Americas, Africa, Australia & New Zealand.

Funding request information: https://media-01.imu.nl/storage/iclas.org/7405/application-for-iclas-financial-support-august2020.pdf

Harmonization Committee, Ethics and Animal Welfare Committee

Committees create and work to provide consensus for international guidelines and standards on laboratory animal care and use, as well as scientific publication considerations.

ICLAS web page

www.iclas.org information on ICLAS actions and initiative, news, upcoming events and meetings. Constitution and rules of governance. Listing of educational resources by region. Contacts for committees. Membership information.

ICLAS Laboratory Animal Quality Network & Performance Evaluation Program

Since 2006, the LAQN is a joint initiative of ICLAS and laboratories involved in health monitoring and/or genetics of laboratory animals. Objectives are:

- Improving and maintaining the quality of animals used in research.
- Raising awareness of the importance of high quality laboratory animals among the scientific community.
- Performance Evaluation Program (PEP) for Diagnostic laboratories to monitor the sensitivity and specificity of their health monitoring assays.
- Genetic Quality Monitoring Program focused on the genetic monitoring of rodents.

Veterinary Scholarship Program

Up to €6000 may be granted to veterinarians who desire support for completing training in laboratory animal science and medicine, but who come for areas where this training is not readily available. Training is completed primarily on-line in a modular format at one of 8 designated international programs.

Awards

(given once every 4 years at General Assembly)
Mühlbock-Nomura Award

The oldest and most prestigious recognition that ICLAS confers, the award recognizes research illustrating or relying on quality, genetically defined laboratory animals.

Bennett J. Cohen Award

For individuals who have achieved prominence in promoting and advancing the "three Rs" of reduction, refinement and replacement in the use of laboratory animals in research, teaching and testing.



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ICLAS Aims

- To promote and coordinate the development of laboratory animal science through the world and as a matter of priority in developing countries.
- To promote international collaboration in laboratory animal science.
- To promote quality definition and monitoring of laboratory animals.
- To collect and disseminate information on laboratory animal science.
- To promote world-wide harmonization in the care and use of laboratory animals.
- To promote the humane use of animals in research through recognition of ethical principles and scientific responsibilities.
- To promote the '3R' tenets of Russell and Burch.

ICLAS Membership

National Members

Countries, to be represented by a person appointed by an appropriate national body, concerned with the direction and encouragement of scientific research, within the scope of interest of ICLAS.

Scientific/Union Members

Laboratory animal science associations, scientific societies/scientific unions and other acceptable organizations which contribute to the work of ICLAS.

Institutional members

Universities, research institutes, or other non-commercial organizations that support the aims of ICLAS.

Associate Members

Organizations in sympathy with the aims of ICLAS.

Affiliate Members

Organizations with which ICLAS has reciprocal relationship

ICLAS Governing Board, 2019-2023

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Why join ICLAS?

ICLAS members are a network of national and international organizations that promotes basic harmonization in standards for laboratory animal science, with a priority of encouraging quality animal-science in developing nations.

Through ICLAS, members have a voice in respected international science unions and agencies such as the OIE, ICSU, CIOMS and UNESCO. A successful outcome of this collaboration is the recent publication of the CIOMS-ICLAS international Guiding Principles for Biomedical Research Involving animals.

Harmonization and promotion of standards of laboratory animal quality, care, and ethical consideration benefit the ability to collaborate internationally, and improve confidence in accepting science protocols conducted across nations.

Research facilities and laboratories participating in the ICLAS laboratory Animal Quality Network (LAQN) and Performance Evaluation Program (PEP) are directly assisted in validating the micro biological and genetic quality of their research animals.

At scientific meetings, the ICLAS organizing member will offer their own members and members of other members organizations affiliated to ICLAS the same registration fee.

Members benefit additionally in having access to financial support from ICLAS to complement their efforts to develop and disseminate training and education programs, as well as opportunities for participation in established programs of regional educational fellowships and travel awards.

The sum of these benefits is that ICLAS members can play an active role in the process of improving laboratory animal science, with a goal of aiding medical advances to benefit people and animals.