

TVV Workshop

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Updates in Animal Research - Transparency, Communication and Hot Topics

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Recent developments in Germany and the EU increase the pressure on science to reduce animal use and contribute to growing uncertainty within the scientific community. The general discussion about animal research crucially depends on information from and visibility of all stakeholders to become a factual and meaningful debate. Thus, open and transparent communication about animal-based research from within the scientific community is becoming increasingly important.

In Europe, Transparency Agreements were launched in nine countries before 2023 with exactly this goal: Transparent communication about animal experiments to inform the public and to help shape the public discussion. The German "Initiative Transparente Tierversuche" was launched in July 2021. More than 90 scientific institutions support this agreement since and have significantly added to comprehensive experience on and many good examples of successful communication about animals in research.

In this workshop we will give background information and updates on the most topical and pressing national and international developments regarding animal research and highlight activities from European and German stakeholders to address these issues. Importantly, communication activities like the recent German Transparency Agreement contribute to a culture of openness and shape the public debate. We offer an outlook on future actions, challenges and opportunities for the neuroscience community.



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