



...and the Tomorrow of Animals in Research

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So... what now?

Basel Declaration Society (10th Anniversary BD)

Animal Research Tomorrow

• Merely a cosmetics operation? Public relations effort?

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• Or is time for a change in face of changing times?

So... what now?

- We will remain a grassroots organization of scientists
- Our core principles will remain unchanged

• We aim to expand our composition, goals, and reach

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Animal Research Tomorrow and its supporters will aim for:

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WELFARE

EDUCATION

3RS

INTEGRITY

SOCIETY

- We have a plan on how to further our goals!
- ART is however open to suggestions and constructive criticism
- ART welcomes collaborations with other organizations (scientific, society, patients) and will foster local ART 'activism'!

It will not look like this!

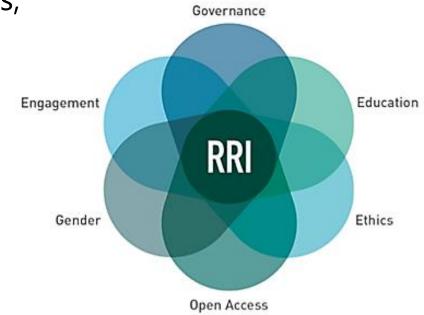


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Responsible Research and Innovation

- Move from just <u>communicating to</u> the public to <u>engaging with</u> and listening to the public.
- Society must not only be informed on scientific process, but also <u>be heard</u> on matters concerning scientific research, ethics, funding, etc.
- Any research, <u>animal-based or otherwise</u>, will only be socially acceptable if benefits are understood and is:

Reliable, relevant, ethical, and transparent.



BDS always placed great **emphasis on education.** ART will have the added challenge of promoting education of both scientists and society.



We will **seek partnerships** with professionals and organizations devoted to **education** in laboratory animal science, research integrity, communication, and 3Rs.

Educate scientists on <u>Responsible Research and Innovation*</u>

*Public engagement | Open access | Gender Issues | Ethics | Science education

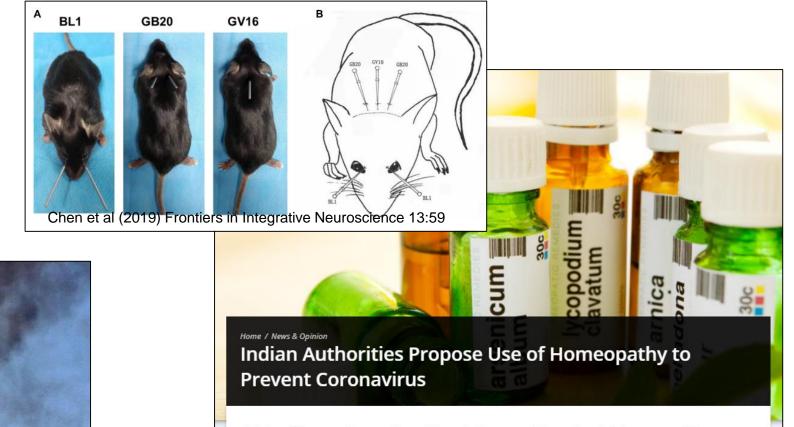
Given ethically and scientifically complex nature of animal research, RRI will be of utmost importance in promoting **public trust**.





Go beyond educating public on merits of AR, but merits of science itself



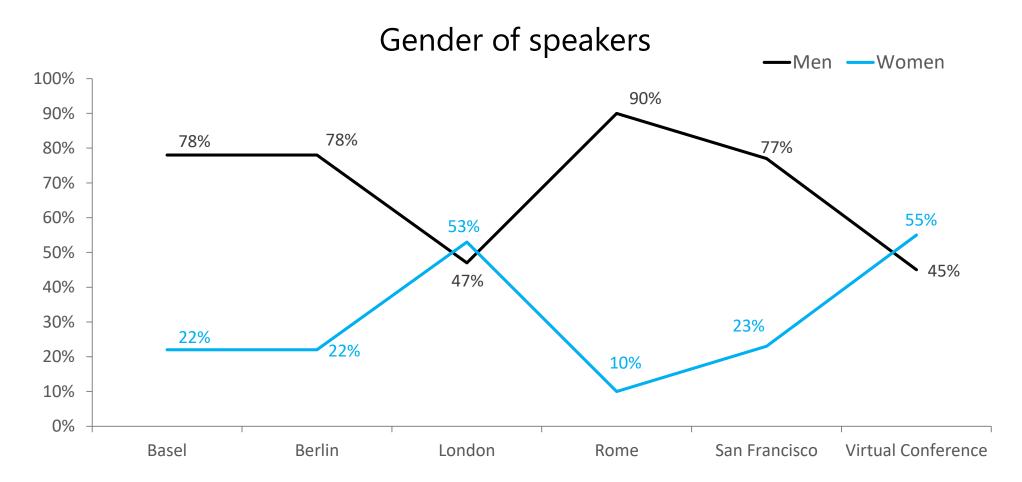




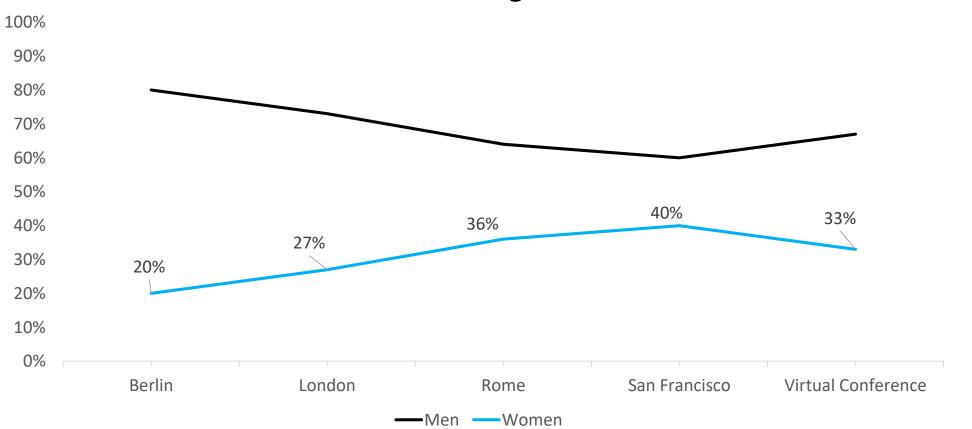
Critics of the practice say the guidance is irresponsible and could give users a false sense of security.







Gender of organizers



The Board of BDS is made up of great people to whom we owe a lot...



... ART future Board and members will be as good + diverse!

How can we play a more <u>active role</u> in promoting our core values?

1. Acknowledging those who set the example - ART awards!

2. Investing in the *Tomorrow* of Animal Research - ART grants!

ART awards

3Rs Award

• To acknowledge outstanding scientists that have meaningfully contributed to **research and education** on the 3Rs, with emphasis on <u>Reduction</u> and <u>Refinement</u>.

Communication Award

 To acknowledge outstanding scientists, science communications, sociologists, philosophers or journalists that have meaningfully contributed to improve communication and transparency on animal research.

ART will accept **nominations**, voted by the Board and ART members Awardees will be invited keynote speakers in following ART conference

ART Grants – for Junior scientists and communicators

3Rs research grant

 Small research project grant (up to 5 000 €) to develop and test new 3Rs methods or resources, with special focus on *Reduction* and *Refinement*.

Communication project grant

 Small communication project grant (up to 2 500 €) for improving communication and education on animal research to the general public.

ART will accept applications, evaluated by an independent panel

ART awards and grants

- Periodicity will depend on available funds.
 - With sponsoring from ONGs, Associations, Foundations or Companies, all awards and grants can be given every year.
 - Without sponsors, Communication and 3Rs awards and grants will be given alternately each year.
 - Funders can name the awards and grants (e.g. [Company's name] ART Grant), but selection of awardees will remain <u>independent and impartial</u>.



ART awards and grants

Who wants to help fund **young scientists and communicators** and shape the *Tomorrow* of ethical, reliable and transparent animal research?



Thank you

And see you *Tomorrow*