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OLAW to Hold Webinar on Animal Alternatives and Model Organisms

The HHS Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) will host a webinar next month featuring officials from the NIH Library and U.S. Department of Agriculture Animal Welfare Information Center (AWIC) to “discuss how to find 3Rs methods (replacement, reduction, and refinement) and animal use alternative information in bibliographic databases.” Most investigators conducting research involving animals are required as part of protocols submitted for approval by institutional animal care and use committees to explain why there are no nonanimal alternatives for the proposed research.

According to OLAW’s announcement of the Dec. 9 webinar, “participants will also learn how to find journal articles, patents, NIH-funded research projects, and genetic information related to animal models and model organisms.” They hear about “requirements and resources for the NIH Model Organism Sharing Policy.” Scheduled speakers for “Best Practices for Conducting a Search for Alternatives and Finding Animal Model/Model Organism Information” are Jessie Kull, a supervisory technical information specialist with AWIC, and Joelle Mornini, an informationist with the library.

[Link to webinar information](#)

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