Laboratory Animal Centre (KEKS) organizes a course

USING ANIMALS IN RESEARCH – CARRYING OUT PROCEDURES

February 20 – March 8, 2019

Aim of the course: Persons working with laboratory animals must have adequate education and training before they are allowed to start their work. This course is aimed at those who are planning to carry out procedures or euthanize animals in scientific projects. This course is also a part of education for persons designing procedures and projects.


Course includes modules for functions A, B & D, detailed in the programme.

The course includes lectures, demonstrations, hands-on training and a written examination. Attendance is compulsory.

Credits: This course (040911S) gives 3 ECTS.

Course fee: 290 euros for the participants from the University of Oulu and the University Hospital. The graduate and post-graduate students are advised to contact their department or supervisor for the payment.

The course fee for those coming outside the Oulu University and the Hospital is 390 euros.

Course language: English.


After registration, email your invoicing information to Eija Nissinen
email: Eija.Nissinen(at)oulu.fi: faculty, department or your supervisor as well as the invoicing details.

If you do not have access to WebOodi, email your registration and invoicing details to Eija Nissinen
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Maximum number of participants is 50.


NOTICE: Competence to do procedures on animals

A person who has passed this course, has a possibility to gain the species and procedure specific competence by participating in the training practice sessions organised by KEKS. You can train the procedures on mice and rats. You will get a procedure specific certificate after successful procedures. After this practice, you still need to complete your skills before the final competence can be approved. Only a competent person is allowed to do procedures on animals individually.

If you need competence for carrying out procedures on pig or sheep please, ask further advice.
Programme 20.2.-8.3.2019

20.2. Wednesday

Lecture hall P117, Pathology
Core module 1
9:15-12:00
Welcome to the course
Introduction to laboratory animal activities at the University of Oulu
Laboratory animal legislation and regulations
Licenses in animal experiments
Hanna-Marja Voipio, Laboratory Animal Centre, University of Oulu

21.2. Thursday

Lecture hall P117, Pathology
Core module 2
9:15-11:00
Laboratory animal ethics and the 3Rs
Hanna-Marja Voipio

11:00-12:00
Lunch

12:00-14:00
Core module 3.1
Rodents as laboratory animals: Comparative biology and ethology
Anna Meller, Laboratory Animal Centre, University of Helsinki

Core module 3.1. and 4
14:15-16:00
Genetics of laboratory animals
Generation of genemanipulated mouse models
Reetta Vuolteenaho, Biocenter Oulu, University of Oulu

22.2. Friday

Lecture hall P117, Pathology
Core module 3.1. and 4
9:15-12:00
Environmental factors, husbandry and transport;
2 R’s, animal welfare and enrichment
Hanna-Marja Voipio

12:00-13:00
Lunch

13:00-13:45
Core module 4
Nutrition
Sakari Laaksonen, Laboratory Animal Centre, University of Oulu

14:00-14:45
Occupational health in working with laboratory animals
Hanna-Marja Voipio
25.2. Monday

Lecture hall 337B-338B
Core module 4
9:15-12:00 Microbiological quality, health monitoring, diseases and prevention of diseases; zoonoses
Sakari Laaksonen

12:00-13:00 Lunch

13:00-15:00 Core module 5
Recognition of pain and suffering
Humane end points and severity classification
Hanna-Marja Voipio

26.2. Tuesday

Lecture hall P117, Pathology
Core module 6.1. and module 20
9:15-11:00 Anaesthesia, analgesia, perioperative care and euthanasia
Sakari Laaksonen

11:00-12:00 Lunch

12:00-13:45 Anaesthesia, analgesia, perioperative care and euthanasia
Sakari Laaksonen

27.2. Wednesday

Lecture hall P117, Pathology
9:15-12:00 Specific module 7
Surgical asepsis
Handling and experimental procedures, waste regulations
Sakari Laaksonen

12:00-13:00 Lunch

13:00-15:00 Core module 10
Study design level 1
Sakari Laaksonen
Demonstrations and practical hands on work in the Laboratory Animal Centre
Function specific module 3.2

Two similar, alternative sessions:

5.3. Tuesday

Group 1: Get to know your mice and rats

9:00-11:00
KEKS and Department of Experimental Surgery
Hygiene and working in surgical theatre: equipment and instruments
Seija Seljänperä, Department of Experimental Surgery, Oulu University Hospital
Tour in Laboratory Animal Centre
Sakari Laaksonen

11:00-12:00
Lunch

12:00-16:00
Demonstrations in small groups: Animal handling, inspection, identification, sexing, injections and blood sampling, gavage.
Mouse and rat handling and immobilisation in practice.
Demonstrations: isoflurane anesthesia and euthanasia with CO2.

You can practice injections to euthanized animals.
Rodent anatomy and necropsy.

6.3. Wednesday

Group 2: Get to know your mice and rats

9:00-11:00
KEKS and Department of Experimental Surgery
Hygiene and working in surgical theatre: equipment and instruments
Seija Seljänperä, Department of Experimental Surgery, Oulu University Hospital
Tour in Laboratory Animal Centre
Sakari Laaksonen

11:00-12:00
Lunch

12:00-16:00
Demonstrations in small groups: Animal handling, inspection, identification, sexing, injections and blood sampling, gavage.
Mouse and rat handling and immobilisation in practice.
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8.3. Friday

9:00-12:00
Examination