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Feature Story

Join Discussions in AltTox Forums

The interactive portion of AltTox.org provides a unique opportunity for stakeholders in the field of toxicity testing to exchange ideas and share knowledge that will advance the development and use of non-animal methods. Professionals working in research, industry, academia, government, animal welfare and other sectors are invited to register in the forums and either initiate discussion on a new topic or participate in the ongoing discussions. The following are a few of the recent postings on the AltTox forums:

- Acute Systemic Toxicity forum: [Route-to-route extrapolation in lieu of duplicative testing via multiple routes?](#)
- Neurotoxicity forum: [The new OECD Test Guideline 426](#)
- Skin Sensitization forum: [Relevant Questions](#)
- Overarching Challenges & Opportunities forum: [Funding for Alternatives](#)

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New "Way Forward" Commentaries

AltTox.org features a series of invited commentaries in which science and policy experts offer their views on the way forward in key areas relevant to non-animal methods of toxicity testing. These thoughtful essays cover 14 topics in the categories of Toxicity Endpoints & Tests, Emerging Technologies, Programs & Policies, and Overarching Challenges & Opportunities. Two of the most recent commentaries include Erwin Roggen's essay on skin sensitization entitled [*Sens-it-iv: A Pathway Towards In Vitro Assessment of the Sensitising Potency of Proteins and Chemicals*](#) and Claudius Griesinger's essay [*REACH: The Way Forward*](#). Interested readers can discuss these and the other commentaries in the relevant AltTox forums. [Read more >>](#)

"Spotlight On" Articles Highlight Topics Relevant to Non-Animal Toxicity Testing Methods

AltTox.org has dedicated a section of the website to "spotlight" news, events, scientific advancements, new content on the site, and other information that warrants additional attention from our users. Every month, two new "Spotlight On" articles will be published to inform readers and to generate discussion in the Forums. This month, we spotlight the [Informational Resources](#) section of AltTox and new technologies being used to study the poison [Arsenic](#). [Read more >>](#)

Upcoming Events

Three events coming up in the next several weeks are being hosted by ICCVAM. The first is a 10 year celebration titled [ICCVAM: Celebrating Ten Years of Advancing Public Health and Animal Welfare With Sound Science - A Scientific Symposium Envisioning New Directions in Toxicology](#) to be held February 5 at the Consumer Products Safety Commission (CPSC) in Bethesda, Maryland. ICCVAM's [Workshop on Acute Chemical Testing: Advancing In Vitro Approaches and Humane Endpoints for Systemic Toxicity Evaluations](#) is set for February 6-7 at NIH in Bethesda, Maryland. Finally, the [Independent Scientific Peer Review: Validation Status of the Murine Local Lymph Node Assay \(LLNA\) for the Assessment of the Contact Dermatitis Potential of Chemicals and Products](#) will be held March 4-6 at the CPSC in Bethesda. All events are open to the public. [Read more >>](#)

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