

2015 science-based refinement awards

ATTENTION VETERINARIANS, ANIMAL TECHS, AND ALL WHO WORK WITH LAB ANIMALS:

The Johns Hopkins Center for Alternatives to Animal Testing (CAAT) now is accepting proposals for the 2015 Science-based Refinement Awards (formerly Animal Welfare Enhancement Awards).

Selected applicants will receive an award of \$6,000 each for proposals intended to improve the welfare of laboratory animals. The focus of these awards is to elicit scientific evidence to support the enhancement of housing, handling and/or experimental situations for lab animals. Studies should be non-invasive, with the possible exception of obtaining blood and biochemical measurements.

The proposal should include an abstract clearly stating the objectives of the study and the anticipated outcomes. It should provide sufficient detail so that reviewers can understand what is being proposed, how it will be achieved, and how the data will be evaluated. Please be sure to include the title of the proposed study, as well as the name, position, and institution of the investigator/technician(s), as well as contact information. Preference will be given to studies with broad applicability.

Each proposal must be approved by the Animal Care and Use Committee, and the proposal itself must be co-signed by the head of Animal Services at the institution. Applications should be sent via email to jderita1@jhu.edu.

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This award is open to international applicants. The deadline for submission is October 17, 2014. Applications will be reviewed by an international group of reviewers. CAAT then will make the final decisions on those proposals to be funded. Successful applicants will be funded by January 31, 2015.

For additional information, please visit <http://caat.jhsph.edu/programs/awards/AWE>

