

Rodent Surgery Training Workshop

The Laboratory Animal Resources Center is pleased to offer “hands-on” rodent survival surgery workshop. The training is designed for both beginners as well as research staff with experience in surgery. The following topics will be covered during the workshop:

- A. Principles of aseptic rodent surgery
- B. Proper instrument selection and handling
- C. Appropriate use and selection of suture materials
- D. Proper tissue handling and dissection
- E. Proper body wall and skin closure techniques after entering a body cavity
- F. Federal and IACUC rodent survival surgery requirements
- G. Perioperative care of rodents

The workshop will be offered on April 14, 2008 from 12:30 pm to 4:00 pm in BSE 3.314.

Registration is **required** and will be on a first-come, first-serve basis based on space availability.

****Please note:** This unique educational opportunity is offered to you **free of charge**, however, when registered individuals fail to show up for the workshop, animals, money and time is wasted. **If you are unable to attend, please cancel as instructed below. A \$25.00 fee will be charged for all no shows or those that cancel after the cancellation deadline.**

To register (please **completely** follow the instructions):

1. E-mail Jessica Kurz (jessica.kurz@utsa.edu) indicating that you would like to reserve a spot for the Rodent Surgery Workshop. In your e-mail, provide the following information:
 - Your full name, **exactly** as you would like for it to appear on your certificate
 - The name of your PI (if applicable) and department
 - The **account number** to which fees should be charged (in the event that you do not cancel by the deadline stated below, or you simply do not attend)
2. You will receive an e-mail confirmation detailing either successful registration or placement on a waiting list in the event that the workshop is full.
3. The week prior to the workshop, you should receive a registration reminder for the workshop as well as Microsoft Word attachments. The attachments will be your workshop handouts; please print them out and bring them to the workshop. These handouts will also be available on the LARC website (<http://vpr.utsa.edu/larc.php>).
4. If you need to cancel your registration, please contact Jessica via e-mail or phone (x-6173) before 3:00 pm on **April 4, 2008**.

5. Cancellations after 3:00 pm on **April 4, 2008**, as well as no-shows, will be charged a fee of \$25.
6. If you do not have access to the BSE vivarium, please let us know as soon as possible.

This message has been sent on behalf of the LARC-RST Director. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact to us at x-6173. We look forward to seeing you there!