

9TH IC-3Rs SYMPOSIUM

3Rs BEYOND BOUNDARIES:
THE 3Rs ACROSS DISCIPLINES



FRIDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2026
HEALTH CAMPUS JETTE



IC-3Rs
INNOVATION CENTRE
3R ALTERNATIVES

Preliminary programme

09.00 Registration and coffee

09.45 Welcome

Vera Rogiers (VUB, Chair IC-3Rs, BE)

Biotechnology in the spotlight

10.00 The Quiet Revolution: Biotechnology's Long Game in Replacing Animal Use

Dominic Hildebrand (Bayer, DE)

10.40 Application of biotechnology: biological drugs (TBC)

11.20 Coffee break & Poster session

11.50 The ultimate 3R's: from lab to livestock

Mark Post (Universiteit van Maastricht, NL)

12.30 Lunch & Poster session

Impact of 3Rs implementation

13.45 The 3Rs in Drug Development: Regulatory and Scientific Perspectives

Sonja Beken (EMA, BE)

14.25 Reduction and Refinement, the 2Rs: Practical Perspectives from Animal Research Facilities

Kris Meurrens (KU Leuven, BE)

15.05 Coffee break

15.30 The 1R in Cosmetics: Shaping the Future of Safety Assessment

Arianna Giusti (Cosmetics Europe, BE)

16.10 Ceremony: Poster Award

16.25 Please note that **certificates** can only be picked up by the end of the day at the designated tables

Note that the speaker's time includes Q&A (10 mins)