



## Joint Fincopa and *ecopa* workshop: Replacing animal experiments in science and in regulative testing



6<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Time:

9-17:00 o'clock EET

On-line: Teams

On-site: UPM Biofore House, Alvar Aallonkatu 1, Helsinki

Registration: <https://www.lyyti.fi/reg/fincopa-ecopa-workshop2023>

### Fincopa celebrates 20 years!

Fincopa, the Finnish National Consensus Platform for Alternatives, is a non-profit association established in 2003 in Tampere. Fincopa brings together representatives of four stakeholders -academia, industry, animal welfare and regulators- to promote the 3R's (Replacement, Reduction and Refinement of animal experiments). Fincopa is a full member of European Consensus Platform on Alternatives, *ecopa*, that acts as the umbrella organization to national platforms. The primary aim of *ecopa* is to promote 3R's in the use of animals in research, testing, education and training in Europe. You are warmly welcome to join our 20<sup>th</sup> year of celebration seminar!

### Programme

- 09:30-10:00 Registration
- 10:00-10:05 Hanna Vuorenpää, Tampere University: Welcome/Tervetuloa
- 10:05-10:20 Tuula Heinonen, Tampere University: Fincopa 20<sup>th</sup> years under the *ecopa*'s umbrella
- 10:20-10:50 Paula Hirsjärvi: Eetikon näkökulmia eläinkokeisiin
- 10:50-11:20 Maria Koivisto, Tampere University: In vitro heart model
- 11:20-11:50 George Kass, The European Food Safety Authority: Risk assessment with food and feed: what to do with NAMs?
- 11:50-12:20 Johana Kunčová-Kallio, UPM Biomedicals: High throughput toxicology  
*General Discussion*

### 12:30-13:20 Lunch (provided by UPM)

- 13.20-13.50 Hanna Vuorenpää, Tampere University: Organ-on-Chip technology in replacing animal experiments
- 13:50-14:20 Sonja Beken, European Medicines Agency: Advancing acceptance of NAMs for regulatory testing of medicinal products in the EU
- 14.20-14:50 Prateek Singh, FinnAdvance: Organ-on-chip technology for pharmaceutical industry  
*General Discussion*

### 15:00-15:20 Coffee break

- 15:20-15:50 Kimmo Louekari, European Chemicals Agency (retired): Acceptance of NAM data for regulatory use
- 15:50-16:20 Costanza Rovida, *ecopa*: Chemical industry perspective
- 16:20-16:50 Tuula Heinonen, Tampere University: Present situation with development and acceptance of non-animal methods and strategies  
*General Discussion*

**18:00- Dinner** (open to all at own cost) in Manala restaurant Dagmarinkatu 2, 00100 Helsinki (location is close to the meeting site)

- Hanna Vuorenpää: Announcement of Fincopa honorary members/Kunniajäsenten julkistaminen
- Hanna Tähti: "why and how Fincopa started"

**Welcome!**