

# techtalk

The Newsletter for Laboratory Animal Science Technicians

## About Tech Talk

*Tech Talk* promotes the dissemination of professional information and technology to all persons interested in laboratory animal science and facilitates a worldwide pursuit of knowledge of animal care methodology.

*Tech Talk* is a bimonthly publication edited by Patty Denison, LVT, LATG of Wayne State University, and the Tech Talk Editorial Committee (TTEC). The production office is located at the AALAS national office in Memphis, TN. For more information about *Tech Talk*, or to submit an article, contact us [techtalk@aalas.org](mailto:techtalk@aalas.org).

## Frequently Asked Questions

### Who I submit my article to?

Email your article with your complete contact information to [techtalk@aalas.org](mailto:techtalk@aalas.org)

### How long should my article be?

Articles are usually 500 words or less; longer articles will be considered.

### Can I submit an article that's been published elsewhere?

Previously published articles may be submitted only if the article isn't copywritten. Many publications, such as newsletters, are not copywritten. Check with the original publisher if you are unsure of the copyright status.

### Can I include pictures?

Yes, we encourage submission of high-resolution tiffs and jpegs. Pictures should be sent via email or regular mail and should be scanned at 300 dpi. Digital photos should be at a resolution of 3 megapixels. Do not submit images embedded in PowerPoint or Microsoft Word.

### Will you edit my article?

Yes. Grammar corrections will not necessarily be submitted for your approval, but you will be contacted by the editor if your article needs more extensive revisions.

You may choose to accept the revisions as described, revise the article yourself, or work with a mentor from the TTEC to address the editorial concerns.



## What do *Tech Talk* mentors do?

Upon request, mentors—members of the Tech Talk Editorial Committee and Editorial Advisory Subcommittee—help authors either by assisting in developing an idea into an article or by guiding authors through the revision of an article.

## When will I hear about the status of my article?

AALAS will send you a letter when we receive your submission. Your article will then enter the review process, which typically takes less than 2 weeks. You will receive an email notifying you of the editor's final decision.

## Why would my article be rejected?

Articles must be of interest to the *Tech Talk* readership and conform to guidelines. Articles will be accepted for publication only if the animals discussed were cared for and used humanely; this includes following proper husbandry techniques, animal welfare, and IACUC guidelines. *Tech Talk* reserves the right to reject any article at any time.

## How is the copyright issue handled?

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