## Virtual Special Collection: Spotlight on Serum-free Approaches

## Alternatives to Laboratory Animals

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# We are currently collating papers for a Virtual Special Collection on serum-free approaches

- Are you working on developments in this field or already successfully use serum-free approaches in your own work?
- Do you want to bring your ideas and research to the attention of a different audience?
- If so, this online VSC is the perfect platform to present your work!
- Relevant topics include: challenges in replacing animalderived serum; validation of novel approaches; optimisation of component concentrations; serum-free versus animal component-free; ethical considerations linked to serum use.

#### About the journal

ATLA is a peer-reviewed international journal that has been at the forefront of promoting and publishing on all aspects of the development, validation, implementation and use of animal alternatives, for almost 50 years. In addition to the replacement of animals, it also covers work that aims to reduce the number of animals used and refine the *in vivo* experiments that are still carried out (the Three Rs).

#### More about the online VSC

- Will provide an overview of the latest research on the use of serum-free approaches in pursuit of completely animalfree replacement alternatives.
- Will include a range of in-depth review articles, research papers, and short *Comment* articles.
- Articles will be made available online (subject to access rights) as soon as they are published.
- High visibility on the award-winning SAGE Journals platform, securing a wide international audience, including researchers, policymakers and educators.
- Prompt publishing and no submission or publication fees payable.

#### **Submission process**

- Efficient and straightforward submission and peer review process, via the SAGE Track system.
- To discuss the suitability of your paper, please contact the VSC Editor, Helena Kandarova, at helena.kandarova@outlook.sk
- Submission deadline: 1st August 2021

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