



# The SSPaper

## We are so glad you are here!

Happy Spring from all of us at Shepherd & enjoy our spring newsletter below.



**Myth:** *The bedding inside my research models cage will not affect my research results.*

**Fact:** **Animals are in contact with their bedding 24/7. We know animals living on *corn cob* have different stress responses than those on paper. [learn more](#)**

**Myth:** *Any nesting material will engage species-specific behavior in rodents.*

**Fact:** **Rodents naturally engage in nest building behavior. Materials like shredded paper strips allow them to build higher quality nests than those built with any of the other materials. [learn more](#)**

**Myth:** *mycotoxins and endotoxins are removed during autoclaving and irradiation.*

**Fact:** **Irradiating and/or autoclaving do not remove either mycotoxins or endotoxins. Luckily, ALPHA-dri® does not contain either contaminant. [learn more](#)**

**MORE RELIABLE REPEATABLE RESEARCH DATA WITH ALPHA-DRI®**

ALPHA-dri® has been used in biomedical research for over 40 years. Due to the natural properties and strict testing parameters we set into place for ALPHA-dri®, we can guarantee you're not adding chemical variables to your research.

Congratulations

To Our Giveaway Winner:

LEN AZZARANO

Thank you to all who participated and stay tuned for more in the future!

### What do our customers say:

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"ALPHA-dri makes cage changing so much easier!!"

"One thing that makes Shepherd stand out from the rest is that ALPHA-dri has a smaller cut that works better for some mouse studies."

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"My favorite product is the bedding for sure. It really seems fun and good enrichment for the animals."

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## SSP NEWS

EMPLOYEE Spotlight

Kerri Waters has been with Shepherd for almost 10 years and she is the Director Of Supply Chain and Customer Service.

KERRI WATERS

Click to learn more

## SSP ATTENDED UPCOMING EVENTS

### APRIL

- [DVB AALAS](#)
- [QUAD Symposium](#)
- [TRBAALAS](#)
- [LAMA Annual Meeting](#)
- [District 8 AALAS](#)
- [MNYB AALAS Awards Dinner](#)

### MAY

- [District 5 AALAS](#)

### JUNE

- [District 6 AALAS](#)
- [CALAS Annual Symposium](#)
- [FAALAS Annual Meeting](#)

## Industry Partners

**NA3RsC**

The National Association 3 R's Collaborative aims to improve animals lives, reduce their numbers while maintaining robust results, and replace them when scientifically appropriate...

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**Episodes — GetReal!**

Did you miss it? Most of us thank doctors for our medical treatments...because we don't know who REALLY made them happen and how. ALL of our medications come at a price.

Listen here →

**BRAD**

Biomedical Research Awareness Day (BRAD) is an international outreach program through AMP that seeks to increase public awareness about animal roles in biomedical research...

Read more →

## WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE DO

Reliable, Repeatable, Research Results Start Here

I want to learn more →

NCB Holiday Social

Cochinita Restaurant

12.15.23

Primate Behavioral Management Conference

MD Anderson Cancer Research Center— Bastrop, TX

2.27-3.1

TBAAALAS Annual Branch Conference

San Marcos— Texas

2.7-2.9



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