***NEW*** Pre-WDA Conference Workshop on the Use of the Direct Rapid Immunohistochemistry Test (DRIT) for Enhanced Wildlife Rabies Surveillance

**Date:** Friday, July 28th 0900 – 1700 hr

**Location:** Auburn University, College of Veterinary Medicine, Scott Ritchey Research Center, Auburn, AL, 36849 (approximately 2 hours drive from the Atlanta International Airport)

**Summary:** This workshop will offer related lectures and laboratory training in the performance of the direct rapid immunohistochemistry test for rabies virus diagnosis. The content will be delivered through a series of presentations, as well as hands on laboratory testing of rabid animal brains. Topics include biosafety, lyssavirus pathobiology, brain collection and selection of samples, rationale and application of the DRIT for enhanced wildlife disease surveillance and troubleshooting of the test.

**Instructor:** CE Rupprecht VMD, MS, PhD

**Registration for this workshop can only be done through LYSSA LLC** ([lyssa@webwiz.biz](mailto:lyssa@webwiz.biz)):
https://www.webwiz.biz/

**Registration will be capped at 6 people:**
Participants must provide documentation of prior rabies vaccination and proof of an acceptable antibody titer. Individuals are responsible for any transportation, meals, and accommodation, to and from the laboratory.


**Deadline:** July 1, 2023