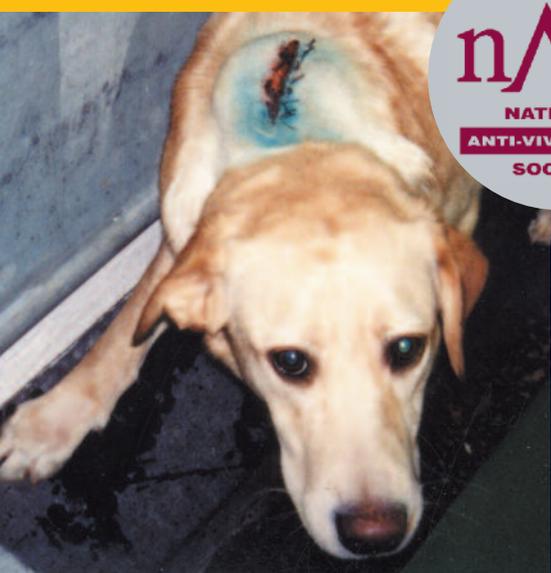


Time for Change

stamp out animal experiments



Every year millions of animals suffer and die in **experiments** that **are** not only **cruel**, but are also **unscientific** and **unnecessary**. What goes on behind the closed doors of laboratories is truly shocking – but even more shocking is the fact that it **could have been prevented**.

In 2008 a shocking 3.7 million experiments were performed on primates, horses, dogs, cats, rabbits, mice, rats and guinea pigs.

The suffering includes: monkeys given surgery to produce strokes; the feeding of chemicals to baby monkeys; monkeys infected with the primate version of HIV/AIDS.

Other tests on primates involve electrodes in the brain; intentional brain damage; pregnant animals dosed with chemicals and some of the offspring killed at birth, as well as deliberate infection with parasites.

The fundamental problem of animal experiments is species differences, because each species responds differently to chemicals and tests. It can be misleading and dangerous to use the results from animal tests to predict likely effects in humans. On many occasions drugs that have been passed as safe in animal tests have been found to maim and kill people and have subsequently been removed from the market.

It doesn't need to be like this. There are a vast array of alternative methods of research, many of which have secured invaluable breakthroughs which would not have been possible using

animal testing. Some include using cell, tissue and organ culture; microdosing; clinical research; biotechnology; epidemiology. Advanced science is the future: we need to make it happen.

Despite rapid advances in technology, scientific testing remains stuck in the past. Alternatives to animal testing have leapt forward while the research industry continues using archaic and cruel methods to test their products. It is time to stamp out animal testing and bring an end to the pointless cruelty.

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