

Scott Masten

Subject: animal testing

Date: Thursday, October 14, 2004 11:58 PM

From: Smithie88@aol.com

To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Drs. Olden and Masten,

As a healthcare clinician, I understand the importance of research. What I do not understand is the necessity to test toxic substances on animals. I believe you can be pro-science without cruelty. It is up to us as humans to design better methods of experimentation.

In the past, medical science has tested toxic substances on African Americans and people who are mentally retarded. We now consider this unethical. I hope that in the near future, we will come to the same conclusion about testing on animals.

I urge you to consider that animals do not have a choice about their fate, but you have the opportunity to protect their welfare and quality of life. We do not have to allow animals to suffer to learn about toxic substances.

Sara Silverman, APRN,MSN,PFNP,RX3

Honolulu, Hawaii

Scott Masten

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Date: Thursday, October 14, 2004 11:51 PM

From: Barbara Lafaver <blafaver@yahoo.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Please help eliminate animal testing! I feel it is immoral to use animals in such an inhumane way. Animals suffer greatly at the hands of man, and I would hope you could be a positive force to protect them by eliminating their use in testing.

Sincerely,

Barbara Lafaver Gleason

Scott Masten

Subject: ban animal testing

Date: Thursday, October 14, 2004 11:28 PM

From: MARY EARLE <mommabear207@hotmail.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Please stop ALL unnecessary testing of animals, particularly primates.

I speak for a large rescue group, and we are all very much opposed.

thank you.

mary stitzell
kennebunk, me 04043

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Scott Masten

Subject: Upcoming tests

Date: Thursday, October 14, 2004 8:44 PM

From: Megami Goukano <goukanomegami@yahoo.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr. Masten,

I write to you with much concern about the toxicology tests that are scheduled this year. Large amounts of information on the chemicals being tested are already available. There is no excuse to waste more money, or hurt any more animals. Animals do not deserve the treatment that they are given. They are not test tubes with whiskers. Please keep this in mind, and if you do decide to test this year, please be cruelty free and leave animals out! There are many ways to test without harming animals. Visit <http://www.pcrm.org> for more information. Thank you for your time!

Sincerely,

Rachel Morris

Scott Masten

Subject: <no subject>

Date: Thursday, October 14, 2004 8:37 PM

From: kathy Clark <kathyclark903@hotmail.com>

To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

olden@niehs.nih.gov, masten@niehs.nih.gov

Subject: FW: CURTAIL ANIMAL TESTING

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Specifically, the NTP must not carry out the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination. Enough is enough.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Kathy Clark
504 Norfolk St Apt 2
Holliston, MA 01746

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Date: Thursday, October 14, 2004 9:42 PM

From: Donna E. Szlosek <deszlosek@comcast.net>

To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

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Sincerely,

Donna E. Szlosek
Boston, MA

Scott Masten

Subject: Chemical testing

Date: Thursday, October 14, 2004 4:15 PM

From: David Epstein <depstein@jhu.edu>

To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

I recently read about testing of perfluorinated compounds. Testing substances that have already been established as carcinogens and toxins is pointless. Please only use animal tests for substances whose toxicity is unknown and only if the tests are conducted to minimize animal suffering (using analgesics if substances cause pain, for example).

Thank you for your time,
David Epstein

Wolman #4041
3339 N. Charles St.
Baltimore, MD 21218

Scott Masten

Subject: Poisoning Tests on Newborn Primates

Date: Thursday, October 14, 2004 3:56 PM

From: Caron Byl <govegan@charter.net>

To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>

Cc: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr. Olden and Dr. Masten,

I am writing to urge you to **pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination: Animals should not be subjected to unnecessary tests.**

Sincerely,

Caron Byl

4850 Boulder Lake Ct.

Fort Worth, TX 76103

Scott Masten

Subject: Animal tests

Date: Thursday, October 14, 2004 2:56 PM

From: Debbie Lillico <dlillico@gateshillpsych.on.ca>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>, <olden@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Drs. Olden and Masten:

It has recently come to my attention that the National Toxicology Program is conducting tests of chemicals, and other substances, on animals at the request of a variety of organizations, including the general public. I am aware that I cannot begin to understand the nature and scope of your work, but I don't understand how cruel treatment of animals can be justified under any circumstance. I'm sure you've received numerous messages from people that are concerned about animal welfare, and I know how many scientists feel about us. Still, I feel obligated to write and implore you to find cruelty-free ways to test whatever substances you feel need to be tested. Please consider this request and think seriously about the consequences before inflicting pain and suffering on another animal.

Thank you very much for your time.

Sincerely,

Debbie Lillico

Scott Masten

Subject: Pull the Plug on Poisoning Tests on Newborn Primates

Date: Thursday, October 14, 2004 2:49 PM

From: Lepage, Maryse <maryse.lepage@cma.ca>

To: "'masten@niehs.nih.gov'" <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dr. Scott Masten
Office of Chemical Nomination and Selection
National Toxicology Program
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences

Dr. Masten,
Each year, the National Toxicology Program spends millions of dollars to poison animals in crude and outdated tests of chemical toxicity. The NTP actively encourages people to nominate chemicals that they would like to see tested on animals. This has led to ill-conceived testing recommendations, including proposals to conduct extensive animal testing of plant extracts that have been used without harm for generations as dietary supplements (e.g., grapeseed and pine bark extracts), as well as proposals to retest such well-known hazardous substances as turpentine and antifreeze. The NTP's latest testing recommendations spell suffering and death to many thousands of animals.

I am asking you to remember that animals are not test tubes with whiskers, and I demand that you pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.
Sincerely,

Maryse Lepage
Ottawa, Canada

Scott Masten

Subject: Pull the Plug on Poisoning Tests on Newborn Primates

Date: Thursday, October 14, 2004 1:10 PM

From: Ben Reed <deerneb@hotmail.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>, <olden@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr. Masten and Dr. Olden,

I write today to ask the NTP to pull the plug on poisoning tests on newborn primates.

I am concerned because each year, the National Toxicology Program (NTP) spends millions of tax dollars to poison animals in crude and outdated tests of chemical toxicity.

What to me is even worse is that the NTP actively encourages people to nominate chemicals that they would like to see tested on animals.

This has led to a veritable laundry list of ill-conceived NTP testing recommendations, including proposals to conduct extensive animal testing of plant extracts that have been used without harm for generations as dietary supplements (e.g., grapeseed and pine bark extracts), as well as proposals to retest such well-known hazardous substances as turpentine and antifreeze.

I have recently read that, true to form, the NTP's latest testing recommendations spell suffering and death to many thousands of animals:

* The Food and Drug Administration nominated Di-(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate (a chemical used in plastic IV bags) for studies of reproductive, immune, and other effects that would involve injection of the substance into newborn male rats and nonhuman primates.

* The Environmental Protection Agency nominated "perfluorinated compounds" for extensive study, including cancer and reproduction testing, on the basis of "presumed" widespread human exposure, despite the fact that large amounts of human and animal toxicity data are already available for these chemicals.

* A "private individual" recommended that the dietary supplement "bitter orange extract" undergo "subchronic" toxicity studies (which means force-feeding the substance to animals every day for three to six months), as well as testing for metabolic and cardiovascular responses and birth defects in animals.

I strongly remind you and the NTP that animals are not test tubes with whiskers.

I also demand that as compassionate human beings you pull the plug on the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Thank you,
Ben Reed
3 Saddlewood Ct
Hilton Head, SC 29928

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Subject: Animal Testing...

Date: Thursday, October 14, 2004 1:07 PM

From: Kacky4503@aol.com

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

is NOT what the public REALLY wants.

IF they could see the HORROR of it.

PLEASE stop!!!,

Mrs. Kathryn D. Panaro

***How can you participate???

Scott Masten

Subject: Animal Testing

Date: Thursday, October 14, 2004 1:05 PM

From: Kacky4503@aol.com

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Sir or Madam:

Please THINK ABOUT the animals and the IMMENSE pain you will/have put them through.

DON'T test the products/chemicals listed for June.....or STOP testing them if you've started already!!!

If the people who voted on these chemicals had to VIEW the animal testing, I don't think they would want ANY testing done!

How can you actively take part in BARBARIC acts of TORTURE on poor animals???

Your conscience is telling you NOT to do it!!!

It's WRONG!!!

Listen to what your TRUE heart is saying!

Please make a GOOD change,

Mrs. Kathryn D. Panaro

Be a TRUE voice for the voiceless and HELP for the helpless.

Scott Masten

Subject: Fw: Toxic Behaviors

Date: Thursday, October 14, 2004 12:20 PM

From: maziecake <mazie@gis.net>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

----- Original Message -----

From: maziecake <mailto:mazie@gis.net>

To: olden@niehs.nih.gov

Sent: Thursday, October 14, 2004 12:16 PM

Subject: Toxic Behaviors

As a devout lover of our flora and fauna, and a caring human being of Earth, I believe the following:

1. The FDA does not need to test di-(2 ethyl-bexyl)phthalate on primates,
2. The EPA perflourinated compounds need not torture mammals - large amounts of human and animal toxicity data exist already,
3. No "private individual" should be able to nominate horrific experiments, such as testing bitter orange extract, or any other diet supplement.

Who would second the above nominations? I am no scientist, but I do understand cruel and truly unusual treatment. If you have too big a budget that you have to solicit ideas from organizations and even individuals, then use it to Save rather than Destroy and Maim !

The NTP needs to pull the plug on poisin tests.....Joanne Mocerri-Taveira

Scott Masten

Subject: End animal testing

Date: Thursday, October 14, 2004 12:04 PM

From: Nancy Johnson <nancy-johnson@comcast.net>

To: <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

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Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
Nancy Johnson
11 Stoddard Terrace
Lynn, MA 01902

Scott Masten

Subject: test

Date: Thursday, October 14, 2004 11:32 AM

From: Kim Sindle <kimsindle@yahoo.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Please stop the animal cruelty

Do you Yahoo!?

Yahoo! Mail <http://us.rd.yahoo.com/mail_us/taglines/security/*http://promotions.yahoo.com/new_mail/static/protection.html> - You care about security. So do we.

Scott Masten

Subject: Curtail Animal Testing

Date: Thursday, October 14, 2004 11:03 AM

From: Querze, Susan <Susan.Querze@ssa.gov>

To: "'olden@niehs.nih.gov'" <olden@niehs.nih.gov>, "'masten@niehs.nih.gov'" <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

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Sincerely,

Scott Masten

Subject: tests

Date: Thursday, October 14, 2004 10:23 AM

From: sam rettman <samrett@raex.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Dear Dr. Kenneth Olden

I am writing to urge the National Toxicology Program to **STOP testing on animals**. It's come to my attention that you are using animals not only to test toxic chemicals but also to test harmless dietary supplements. Both tests seem unreasonable in this advanced and civilized age.

I urge you NOT to follow the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for Chemical Evaluation and Coordination.

Respectfully,

Sam Rettman
Akron, Ohio

Scott Masten

Subject: <no subject>

Date: Thursday, October 14, 2004 9:40 AM

From: RICHARD DUNN <toothlessinpa@hotmail.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Mr. Masten-

Kindly remind yourself that animals are not "test tubes with whiskers". They are not to be used to further the aims of humankind at the expense of their lives and well being. Animals are not ours to do with what we please. The above-referenced tests and all types of animal tests should be halted immediately. I'm sure you would not want to see your pet succumb to this cruel fate; why should any other animal have to. Please put a stop to this torture and murder of those who cannot speak for themselves.

Respectfully,
April Alberts

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Date: Thursday, October 14, 2004 8:17 AM

From: Suzanette Hancock <gunsmoke1979@msn.com>

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Good Morning -

I am writing to you as a concerned citizen that has learned of the inhumane lab testing and usage of baboons at your lab. I am very distressed to learn of their treatment and the nightmare their lives have become.

Is there any way you can stop this?

Please help me to understand why testing on baboons in relation to women is of any consequence or why steel rods need to be inserted in a living creatures' head and then no pain treatment or vet care administered.

I am contacting everyone I know so more people can be aware of this horrendous situation.

Please allow these animals, at your mercy, to have creature comforts and veterinary care at the very least. My desire would be to stop these actions against the animals altogether.

Thanking you in advance for your immediate attention to this grave matter.

Suzanette Hancock
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Garden City, Missouri 64747-9055
816-773-7092 816-591-9835
SUZ

Scott Masten

Subject: Animal Testing

Date: Thursday, October 14, 2004 12:08 AM

From: EthelGee@aol.com

To: <masten@niehs.nih.gov>

Please stop the testing of toxic substances on animals . Many of the substances being tested have been used for decades and their toxicity and effectiveness have been proven. Why torture animals needlessly?

Sincerely,
Ethel Gardner

Recvd 10/14/04

10/9/04

Mr. Masten,

I felt compelled as a citizen of our great country, a nurse, and a animal lover to gently remind you , Sir, that animals were not put on this earth for our personal use. They are not test tubes to be used at our whims.

I read with interest of some of the upcoming toxicology tests that were recommended to you or by you that would be so very detrimental to innocent animals. At the same time some of these tests, such as retesting antifreeze, are outdated. We know these are going to harm humans and animals. We do not need to kill more animals to prove something we already know.

I implore you to think about this issue. There are so many more options available to us in this day and age. Put yourself in the painful shoes of one of your test subjects for a few minutes. Think about force feeding toxic chemicals to your dog or cat or your neighbors if you are not a pet owner. That is all I ask. A few moments of reflection.

Thank you for your time,
Andrea Caudle
Member Voice of The Voiceless
183 Branding Iron Road
Rhome, TX 76078

Rec'd 10/14/04

10/12/04

Dr. Master:

I am writing to ask you to stop the animal tests recommended in June by the NTP Interagency Committee for chemical evaluation and coordination.

Please stop these senseless tests.

Thank you for considering my request.

Heather Lloyd
570 Moorton Rd.
Dover, Del. 19904