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For William Stokes, DVM,
Director, NICEATM

I wish to comment on the ICCVAM/NICEATM panel report on the Draize eye irritancy test published in the Federal Register.

I would like to recommend that federal agencies immediately begin accepting the alternative testing methods found to be useful.

Furthermore, I urge that federal agencies to move forward with the recommended improvements in the alternatives without delaying the acceptance of the tests' current forms.

Finally, I urge that we go beyond current efforts by developing and validating nonanimal methods to completely replace the use of the Draize test.

Respectfully,
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