



April 11, 2005

Dear Mr. Stokes:

This letter is written to register my public comment on the issue of the Draize eye irritancy test.

I urge you to: 1. recommend that federal agencies immediately begin accepting the alternative methods found to be useful; 2. move forward with recommended improvements in the alternatives without delaying the acceptance of the tests' current forms, and 3. go beyond the current efforts by developing & validating non-animal methods to completely

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replace the use of the Dr. size
test.

These alternatives could
reduce laboratory animal pain &
suffering. Thank you for your
time.

Sincerely,
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