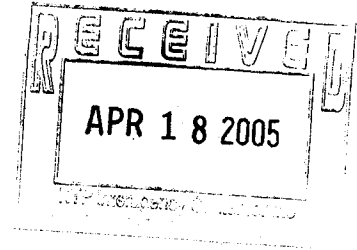


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Dear Dr. Stokes:

I am writing to urge ICCVAM/NICEATM to:

- 1) recommend that federal agencies immediately begin accepting the alternative methods to the Draize Test found to be useful
- 2) move forward with recommended improvements in the alternatives without delaying the acceptance of the tests' current forms
- 3) go beyond the current efforts by developing and validating nonanimal methods to completely replace the use of the Draize Test

I would appreciate your help with this important improvement.

Sincerely,

/s/

Joan Marzi