

**INQUIRY INTO USE OF PRIMATES AND OTHER ANIMALS  
IN MEDICAL RESEARCH IN NEW SOUTH WALES**

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Hi there,

I am a constituent who, in recent years, has begun to understand and focus my energy on not just animal well-being, but also an overall environmental-system well-being.

I believe science and ability to test new vaccines, diseases, etc has come far enough that we should not be reliant on using live animals to test. I'm disappointed that in 2022, as a society, this is how we continue to test. There have been extensive studies across the world demonstrating the pain and emotions these poor animals (especially primates) go through, and if you emulate that every night when you go to sleep, it's horrific and anxiety-inducing - this is what I go through most nights when I go to sleep.

I cannot imagine we are still doing this in this world. Near-drowning... forced smoking.. suffocation.. held in one position to eat, defecate, have needles and drugs stuck into them.. it's revolting as an evolving race that we ALLOW this to happen.

What also happens to these after these organisation are "done"? Are they rehomed? Are they supported? Are they just thrown by the wayside as that 'asset' is no longer required? Shame on us. If they can be rehomed and actually shown love in some way, this should be an option.

There are many other humane and evidence-based alternatives, and alternate testing process and initiatives which could be endorsed and mandated. The power is with you to make this change.

Please consider our learnings, our future, and the neglect we have shown to date. Animal testing is WRONG. Animal abuse is WRONG.

We need to make a change for generations to come, and show them we have some level of compassion.

Please make the RIGHT decision.

Thanks