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ANIMAL AID is a society dedicated to campaigning for the total abolition of all experiments on living animals. We believe that vivisection is the worst of the many ways in which animals are abused in our society.

In our view cruel experiments on animals can never be justified, and so we make no distinction between medical and non-medical experiments.

Realising that people need treatment when they are ill we inform them about organisations concerned with alternative forms of treatment which do not rely on animal experimentation.

We also encourage research into the development of non-animal testing methods.

We are interested in the prevention of illness by proper diet, exercise and right living. We feel that more emphasis should be given by the

medical profession to educating people to live a healthy life rather than curing symptoms.

Our policy is strictly non-violent, relying on persistence, determination and sheer hard work to achieve our aim.

By printing and distributing leaflets and posters we show the full horror of the atrocities perpetrated against animals in the name of science. We organise demonstrations and protest marches with the idea of attracting as much publicity as possible.

For too long have scientists brought pain and misery to defenceless creatures behind the locked doors of their laboratories. It is our task to make the full truth known.

The movement is growing steadily so please join us and help to bring the day nearer when **vivisection will be totally abolished by law.**

Act now for the animals

Join our campaign to prevent the suffering and death of 4½ million animals every year in British laboratories. Work to stop the blinding, poisoning, burning, mutilating, and irradiating of these defenceless creatures.

Please send to:

ANIMAL AID, 111 High Street, Tonbridge, Kent TN9 1DL. Tel: (0732) 364546

I wish to become a member of Animal Aid and receive the bi-monthly magazine *Outrage* which gives full details of the society's activities. ☐

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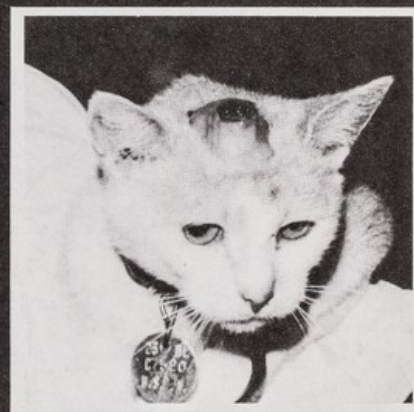
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LABORATORY ANIMALS NEED YOUR HELP



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Is it true that animals are being tortured in British laboratories?

Read this and find out

1 Some monkeys were infected with a bacteria. After 3 days large amounts of mucous fluid poured from the animals' eyes and noses. They had high fevers, lost their appetites and had difficulty breathing. They were left in this state until death occurred on the fifth, sixth and seventh day.

Br. Journal of Experimental Pathology (1978) Vol.59, p.630. Microbiological Research Unit, Porton Down, Salisbury, Wilts.

2 Baboons were injected with a drug and then divided into three groups. Effects of the drugs ranged from biting their limbs, laying prostrate on the



cage floor for hours, twisting their bodies and screaming.

Brain (1977).
Institute of Psychiatry.

3 A number of rabbits were subjected to operations in which most of the brain was destroyed. The experimenters found that these brain-damaged rabbits could still learn to press a treadle to get food.

Phys. & Behaviour, Vol.20, pp.157-70, 1978
MRC Unit on Neural Mechanisms of Behaviour,
3 Malet Place, London.

4 A veterinary surgeon, assisted by other scientists, poisoned pedigree Beagle dogs with the weedkiller sodium chlorate. These experiments were performed at the Huntingdon Research Centre, Huntingdon. *The dogs were force-fed the weedkiller by stomach tube over a period of five days.* The scientists noted 'marked loss of appetite and body weight with lassitude, vomiting and blood-streaked faeces . . . urine contained blood on day three. Death occurred on day four'.

Vet. Record, April 1972, pp.416-418

Left: Shampoo being tested on rabbit's eye. Front page: Cat with electrode implanted in its brain. © Jon Evans F.R.G.S.

90,000 animals die every week in British laboratories. Animals are poisoned to death with weedkillers, lipsticks, paints, weapons, oven-cleaners, shampoos, floor polish etc. 83% are conducted without any anaesthetic at any stage. The Cruelty to Animals Act 1876 specifically allows the infliction of pain on animals. A radical alteration in the law is needed. People must press for this. It is urgent. These suffering animals desperately need your help.

" . . . Thus in every field of science innocent animals are made to serve as scapegoats for man's vices and faults. We smoke, animals don't: so we force animals to smoke although for them it is torture, for us pleasure. We drink alcohol, animals don't: so we cause liver cirrhoses in animals by funnelling alcohol into them. We drug ourselves, animals don't: so we turn animals into drug addicts. We suffer from insomnia owing to our daily excesses, animals don't: so we force animals to stay awake until they go crazy. We suffer from stress owing to our unnatural way of living, animals don't: so we traumatize them in rotating drums to put them in a state of stress. We cause car accidents



Above: Dog force-fed with alcohol.

through incompetence or carelessness, animals don't: so we fasten animals to vehicles and send them crashing against walls. We contract cancer by consuming the wrong foods and toxic drugs, and through pollution caused exclusively by ourselves: so we inflict cancer upon millions of animals and continue to torture them while we watch them slowly waste away through the cruellest malady mass-produced by man".

Extract from *Slaughter of the Innocent* by Hans Ruesch (Futura).

What you can do to help

1 Send a copy of this leaflet to your MP and ask for his/her comments on it, as well as asking him/her to table a question in the House on the subject of vivisection.
2 Pass this leaflet on to a friend.

3 Send a copy of this leaflet to your local newspaper.
4 Join ANIMAL AID and help us to fight against all animal experimentation.