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To: NIEHS NICEATM
Subject: Re: Please Phase Out Animal Testing

Dear Director Stokes:

I strongly urge you to phase out animal testing, especially the infamous Draize Test, just as quickly as you possibly can. Two bunnies, Wille G. and Inga, live with me. I can without a doubt attest to the fact that chemicals should never -- ever -- be placed purposely in rabbits' eyes -- NEVER!

Please:

- 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,
- 3) go beyond the current efforts by developing and validating nonanimal methods to completely replace the use of the Draize test.

You, as a veterinarian, realize the immense inappropriateness and downright cruelty of the Draize Test. Please act to end it now.

Thanks for your time.

Sincerely,

Joyce Janicki