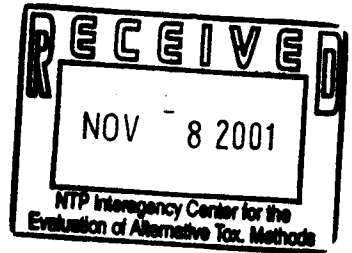


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RE: IN-VITRO TESTING MUST REPLACE LETHAL ANIMAL TESTING

Dr. Stokes:

It is a welcome piece of news to hear that NIEHS (as a result of the International Workshop on In-Vitro Methods for Assessing Acute Systemic Toxicity) is advocating the elimination of lethal, and grossly inhumane, animal testing and replacing it with in-vitro tests; specifically, the in-vitro cell cultures.

In this age when technology and science have made incredible advancements, it is not only barbaric and uncivilized to continue to perform outdated lethal tests on animals, it is a slap in the face to the scientists who have given us a much better choice. The option to eliminate lethal animal testing is here. Now we must take advantage of it and abandon the old ways---the cruel and insensitive ways.

Please do everything in your power to assure that in-vitro testing is started immediately.

Sincerely,

C. L. Price