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Nurses Movement for Responsible Medicine (NMRM) was founded in October 2007 by Cynthia O'Neill, S.R.N., S.C.M., Q.N., H.V. to provide nurses with a channel through which they could express their concerns in relation to the high number of adverse drug reactions suffered by so many of their patients.

"Many times we questioned why so many medicinal drugs, all of which had undergone years of laboratory tests, were harming patients." The Objective of NMRM
is the Immediate and
Unconditional Abolition
Of All Animal Experiments
On Medical
and
Scientific Grounds

The Nation Witnesses the Harsh Reality

The harsh reality resulting from the use of the animal model to assess the human condition was witnessed by the whole nation during 2006 when confronted with the results of the human drugs trials in which five young men were badly damaged by a drug that was tested for *five years* on monkeys prior to being administered to them. This could not be blamed on dosage; the monkeys on which it was tested were given 500 times the dose given to the young men.

Anyone who takes the trouble to think for her/him self will have realised long ago that animals do not react in the same way to drugs and other substances as we do, due to differences in their absorption, distribution, metabolism, response to and elimination of drugs. But this is not something you are likely to hear from our country's media, which has consistently shown itself to be pro-vivisection due to the very many vested interests. Animal experimentation has resulted in immense human damage. This has affected people of all ages and continues to affect an unacceptably high percentage of patients.

NMRM opposes animal experimentation, on scientific grounds, based on obvious species differences; and believes that animal-based research causes suffering both to people and animals. NMRM is aware that scientists invariably fall back on the cliché, 'your dog or your child', when trying to defend animal experiments, hence disregarding the immense human damage caused when applying the results of research on animals, to humans.

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Because NMRM is not a company or charity, we are not permitted to have a bank account under its title. This means that Cynthia has had to take out a separate account in her own name, and she will send copies of invoices for any further additions to the website in order to show anyone who makes a contribution exactly how their donation was used.

Animal Experimentation is Contrary to All Reason

By Dr Moneim A Fadali, MD

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Alas! The sham, shameful ritual of Animal Experimentation continues, propelled by pseudo intellectuals, the misguided and the opportunist. Teaching and learning surgical techniques along with studying human depression, drug dependency and addiction are still part of the gruesome scene. On these I shall limit my remarks

Learning surgical techniques by practising on live animals is absurd, imprudent and cruel. It has never produced a great surgeon. The abominable practice, I was told, was banned in Britain in 1876, yet thrives still in the United States of America, and some of the so-called civilised, developed countries. It consumes approximately 2-3 million animals every year in the USA. Witless saga manifesting little sense and over-abundance of foolishness. Anyone telling you that the animal laboratory is the venue to harness surgical aptitude either doesn't know the ropes, is misled or misleading. To this view belong many highly respected surgeons worldwide including the renowned Charles Mayo, co-founder of the highly acclaimed Mayo Clinic.

The quintessential mark of a good surgeon is the polite, tame handling of live tissues, stealthily, reverently, ever so subtly, surreptitiously, yet affectionate and buoyant, guided by a mind in a state of heightened alertness, yet serene, deliberate and resolute. None of these artful delicacies can be acquired by pillaging the entrails of a live dog or deflowering the bellows of a guiltless pig.

For learning new surgical procedures and techniques, we have the cadavers and a variety of models including computer models. All have reached a great degree of sophistication: a virtual rendering of human organs and complete humans, without the breath of life and bio-energy.

One of the arenas in which science gladiators chose to fight their so-called "War on drugs" is the animal lab. Can't fathom how in the world abusing, seducing, corrupting, menacing and killing animals will heal and solve our fatal attraction to drugs. After all, animals are not suicidal, they don't do drugs either. How can such a fabricated, totally contrived experimental situation tell and inform? I have seen absurdity, I have known adversity, I have met effrontery. This one is all. Many animal studies have been still conducted to crack the hard-to-crack heliospheres of cocaine. Animals used include Rhesus monkeys, cynomolgus monkeys, chimpanzees, baboons, pigtailed monkey, patas monkeys, dogs, cats, newborn rats, mice, hamsters, guinea pigs, rabbits, pigeons and chickens. Even the South American electric eel was served slugs of cocaine. You see, in a mad-house, no one is spared the wrath. Not only cocaine, but also tobacco had to be sanctified and beautified by a research degree. Only clinical observations proved that tobacco smoking is cancer-producing and nicotine is addictive. Alcohol research on live animals is pious fraud practiced by deceiver and deceived. Abusers and abused addicts are not hard to find. Therefore, studying the effects of alcohol on animals is a preposterous act of denial.

Another pitiless absurdity is animal experimentation for depression. No wonder when drugs emerge from the deceitful tester of animal research, their true harmful nature manifests in the human consumer. Incidentally, in today's market place, they refer to patients as consumers and to physicians and surgeons as providers. In derision I am merely mocking the new linguistic pseudo morphemes.

The fundamental verdict remains: you do harm, you receive harm. You experiment on animals to find solutions to your depression, addiction, wrinkles, corpulence, failing heart, insufficient liver, squeaky joints, anguished bones, and attention deficit syndrome, but you end up having more of the same.

NB: Due to lack of space we have not included our patron Dr Fadali's article in full, but we have printed most of it. Re Dr Fadali's comment that practicing surgical techniques on live animals was banned in Britain in 1876, this may have been the case, but it has been said to happen in Britain in recent times; see 'Why didn't she know'? in 'Letters, Speeches and Articles' section of our website: www.nmrm.org.