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### Your Tax Dollars at Waste

Despite the limitations and perils of researching on chimpanzees for human health, our government continues to pour money – recent estimates put the figure at \$20-30 million per year – into this failed model.

For HIV/AIDS research, for example, the U.S. government spent many millions to breed, house, and experiment on chimpanzees over an 11-year period in what some later called “a dismal failure” and even the National Institutes of Health deemed of only limited success.

### The Ethical Boundaries of Science

In the not-too-distant past, humans were also in the cross-hairs of science. Indigents, orphans, criminals, the mentally ill, ethnic minorities, soldiers, and others have been the subject of experiments. They too were “like us,” but were wrongly judged not “like us” enough to warrant ethical and legal protection.

Fortunately, times have changed for humans in America, in part because of groups like NEAVS that advocated for such change. But there remains a major blind spot to be addressed...

### Change is on the Way – With Your Help

NEAVS has long advocated that the code of ethics for research be expanded to include non-humans. The chimpanzee, increasingly acknowledged as so “like us,” is in a unique position to be the first nonhuman species to be protected from science.

The time has come for the United States to join other nations who have already ended the use of great apes in research. If other scientifically advanced countries can do it, so can the United States.

Meanwhile, some 1,000 chimpanzees in labs are awaiting release & restitution.



Rachel

### You can help Project R&R make it happen.

#### From release...

Together we can secure the permanent release of all chimpanzees remaining in U.S. laboratories into sanctuaries. Your help is crucial to change attitudes and help pass the Great Ape Protection Act (GAPA).

#### To rescue...

There are chimpanzees in laboratories who cannot wait for attitudes or laws to change. For them, the need for rescue is urgent and literally a matter of life and death.

Project R&R’s efforts include identifying and rescuing such individuals on a triage basis. We ask for your help in exerting public pressure to get these elder chimpanzees out of laboratories and into sanctuaries now.

#### To restitution...

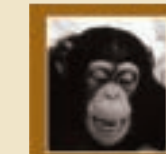
Chimpanzees used for research deserve to live out the remainder of their lives in peace. NEAVS supports sanctuaries that provide life-time care for chimpanzees from research.

### Act Now! Together We Will End the Use of Chimpanzees in Research

- **Join NEAVS** today – your support is crucial.
- **Contact us** to receive brochures, fact sheets, activist packs, bumper stickers, and GAPA information, to help spread the word.
- **www.releasechimps.org** Visit our website for more information and to find out what you can do to help us end chimpanzee research.
- **Support the Great Ape Protection Act** GAPA will end invasive research and testing on all great apes in U.S. labs, prohibit federal funding for such research anywhere in the world, and retire all federally owned chimpanzees in labs - many for more than 40 years - to permanent sanctuary.

Please add your voice to this urgent effort by asking your legislators to support GAPA.

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Project R&R: Release and Restitution for Chimpanzees in U.S. Laboratories

A campaign of the New England Anti-Vivisection Society

As ambassadors between humans and other animals, chimpanzees open the door to greater compassion for all non-human species whose lives and will are destroyed in the name of science.



Sue Ellen

## “Like Us” ...But Not Enough

Chimpanzees hold a unique position of having so much in common with humans.

Like us, they laugh, cry, show anger, grieve, and embrace. They create and use tools. They exhibit a sense of humor, can learn and teach sign language, and are caring members of their family and society.

And, like us, they experience fear. They feel pain. They suffer.

Yet, they continue to be used in harmful experiments without the protections afforded humans. For decades in U.S. laboratories, chimpanzees have suffered and endured fear and pain -- emotional suffering that lasts their lifetime.

They have been killed for organ transplants, poisoned in toxicity testing, addicted to illegal drugs, infected with deadly viruses, subjected to supersonic speeds and rapid decompression, left to die of treatable diseases, and much more.

Through educational outreach and legislation, NEAVS' Project R&R campaign will end research on chimpanzees in the United States – *with your help.*

## PROJECT R&R

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Chimpanzees in U.S. Laboratories

[www.releasechimps.org](http://www.releasechimps.org)



Billie Jo

## Experimenting on chimpanzees is wrong.

### A Growing Movement

Belgium, the Balearic Islands, Japan, Austria, Australia, Sweden, the Netherlands, New Zealand, and the United Kingdom have banned or severely limited chimpanzee experimentation. An EU-wide ban is imminent.

The U.S. remains the only large-scale user of chimpanzees for research in the world.



Pepper

### Unethical, Unnecessary, and Dangerous

Many scientists find chimpanzee research increasingly difficult to defend – ethically or scientifically.\*

Although chimpanzees have approximately 96% of the same DNA as humans, they differ significantly on the cellular and molecular level where disease occurs.

- The sequencing of the chimpanzee genome indicates an estimated 2-5% difference in genetic codes between chimpanzees and humans. Even this small difference has enormous implications regarding their usefulness as a model for human disease.
- Investigation shows that research on chimpanzees has often provided misleading information for humans – with wasteful, dangerous, and sometimes fatal consequences.
- Despite extensive “safety” testing of non-human species, including chimpanzees, an estimated 100,000 Americans die each year from adverse drug reactions.
- Studies show that the physical and emotional trauma experienced by chimpanzees in labs renders research results invalid, and causes lifelong psychological suffering.

\*For detailed critiques of chimpanzee research visit [releasechimps.org](http://releasechimps.org)

## A Call to End Research on Chimpanzees in the United States

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