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Dear Dr Stokes, I am writing to urge that ICCVAM/NICEATM recommends that federal agencies immediately begin accepting the alternative methods found to be useful, & move forward with recommended improvements in the alternatives without delaying the acceptance of the tests' current forms, & go beyond the current efforts by developing & validating nonanimal methods to completely replace the use of the Draize Test, which is terribly cruel & barbaric & should be out moded in this modern day & age. Everyone should be taught compassion if we are to make this world a better place. People should not be taught to do cruel things to animals, & this is defenately horribly cruel.

Thank you, Connie Holt