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HUNTINGDON LIFE SCIENCES UNMASKED 2011

Shocking investigation reveals HLS murdering animals to test petrol, Botox, grapes, and cosmetic ingredients...

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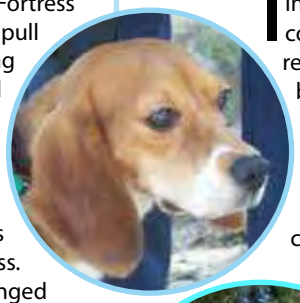
Editorial

The past six months have seen many protests against AstraZeneca, a main customer of HLS, along with protests against Fortress Investment Group, leading to meetings with Fortress to pull their loan with HLS! Also, HLS supplier PPI were exposed shipping primates from China to HLS and later graphic pictures of injured monkeys taken inside PPI (see page 2) and an investigative report into previously unseen experiments at HLS showing examples of their 'lifesaving research'.

It is crucial that we continue to put pressure on the customers and funders that allow HLS to continue their horrific business. Slowly, the vivisection industry's support structure is being changed with pressure from compassionate individuals with major pharma companies like AstraZeneca, Novartis, GSK and Pfizer down sizing, closing some sites and laying off staff. This, along with the continued recession will effect HLS's bottom line and profits and we must use the financial uncertainties as well as the pressure from anti-vivisection campaigners to continue to weaken HLS and its allies.

This has been a long fight, but we are set to continue until the job is done and HLS are resigned to the history books - with your support.

253 lives saved



In September, PeTA released horrific footage from inside the laboratories of North Carolina based contract research company PLRS. The investigation revealed dogs being sprayed with bleach, cats being thrown against cage doors and appalling living conditions which lead to wide spread health issues for the animals.

As well as releasing the footage, PeTA filed a complaint with the US Department of Agriculture who have began an official inquiry.



One week later PLRS announced that it was to close its labs and that it would hand over all of the animals caged in its facilities. Following a huge effort by animal protection groups across the US, all of the animals have now been rehomed.

>> Highgate Rabbit Farm Update

Since the last newsletter there have been regular protests at the farm, including a two day camp set up right outside of the facility during August, informing local residents of the cruelty taking place on their doorstep.



The attempts by the farm's owner, Mr. Geoffrey Douglas, to drown out the protests by turning up his music just adds a welcome carnival vibe to the demos, and show just how desperate he is to block out these protests and ignore the truth about his cruelty.

For more info and to get involved:
www.closehighgatefarm.com

Cruelty exposed

In October the Mirror and the BUAV exposed the horrific trade of primates in Mauritius who are snatched from the wild and used as breeding machines for the vivisection industry. Well over 2000 primates from Mauritius were shipped to the UK in the past year.



"Cruelly dangled upside down by its tail and swung from side to side... a monkey is sickeningly tormented after being snatched from the wild. With a high-pitched scream the animal is then thrown in a cage and forced to become a breeding machine – churning out babies to be sold across the globe for scientific tests."

>> Campaign Overview



Huntingdon Life Sciences (HLS) is Europe's largest animal testing laboratory. HLS kill maim and mutilate over 500 animals every single day in barbaric experiments. HLS are the most exposed animal testing laboratory in the world, with seven separate undercover investigations spanning from 1989 to 2009, each discovering routine cruelty and abuse. HLS were most famously exposed in 1997 when Channel 4 filmed undercover in their Cambridge Laboratory. They filmed workers punching beagle puppies in the face, falsification of data, unhygienic conditions and animal suffering. When workers spoke out in 2005, they said the same practices were common place and that they had witnessed workers hitting beagles.

In 2008 SHAC obtained research papers revealing that HLS were testing artificial sweeteners, cleaning chemicals and mushroom extract as well as studies in to beagle pain syndrome. HLS were exposed in 2009 by Animal Defenders International (ADI), who witnessed monkeys routinely ill from stress, chewing off their own fingers, vomiting faeces and collapsing. ADI also investigated the appalling conditions in which HLS' monkeys are bred and transported.

It is still legal in a UK lab to burn, electrocute, starve, shoot and poison animals. Your MP and the RSPCA have no right of access to any UK laboratory, and Section 24 of the Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act 986 states that if anyone publicises what they have seen inside a UK lab they can be sent to prison for up to two years. What do these places have to hide?

Stop Huntingdon Animal Cruelty (SHAC) formed in 1999 to close HLS. SHAC have had some incredible successes with hundreds of companies vowing to end their contracts with the lab. At present, HLS do not even have a commercial bank account or insurance company – the UK Government act as both using tax payers money. HLS are over $150 million dollars in debt and many global companies have dropped HLS, including HSBC, Barclays, Lloyds TSB, NatWest, Marsh and Citigroup. Our shareholder campaign was so successful that HLS have had to de-list from global stock exchanges, buy back all their shares and become a private company. The best way to stay up to date with the most recent developments of the campaign along with all the protests around the world is to check out our website. You can also find listings of all HLS' customers and suppliers on our website at www.shac.net.

HLS MONKEY SUPPLIER EXPOSED

"100 Cynomolgus monkeys, shipped 4 per crate, arrived in Los Angeles following a 13.5 hour flight from Guangzhou, China. The monkeys were then trucked from Los Angeles to Miami, Florida. In Miami, the monkeys completed quarantine and were again packed into boxes for the trip to their final destination: HLS laboratories in East Millstone, New Jersey."



In August 2010 the Animal Liberation Investigation Unit acquired photos from inside Primate Products Inc (PPI), a long time supplier of animals to HLS. The photos, taken by PPI's own veterinary staff, show several monkeys with horrific injuries to their heads and bodies.

Sickeningly, the owner of PPI, Don Bradford told press that these pictures portrayed, "completely healed, healthy, beautiful animals".

The idea that gaping wounds which expose large sections of skull can be 'healthy' is beyond absurd. The severity of these injuries speaks volumes about the levels of stress and frustration endured by primates transported and confined in small, unstimulating cages.

This exposé came just weeks after SHAC had received a number of leaked documents from PPI detailing the purchase of hundreds of monkeys from China by Huntingdon Life Sciences between 2006-2008. The documents reveal, once again, how HLS and its customers are directly responsible for the horrible suffering of monkeys trapped for the international primate trade.

Following this exposé, a number of PPI customers have stopped dealing with them, and the US Department of Agriculture have announced an investigation, but HLS, who visited the facility themselves in 2007, continue to buy primates from this cruel monkey farm.











TAKE ACTION

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HUNTINGDON LIFE SCIENCES UNMASKED

AN INVESTIGATIVE REPORT 2011

Previously unseen research papers, which were anonymously sent to the SHAC campaign at the start of 2011, have shed new light on shocking experiments carried out by HLS.

The shocking research papers detail invasive experiments which took place on rats, mice, rabbits and rhesus monkeys at HLS' Cambridgeshire and New Jersey laboratories between the years 2001 and 2010. Substances tested included unleaded gas [1], grape seed extract [2], a PCB which has been banned since 1979 [3], Botox [4], soybean fiber [5], and paraffin wax [6]. There were also several duplicate tests for a food additive known as PVA [7], [8] and experiments to test a fragrance that occurs naturally in plants, which is used in cosmetics and perfumes [9], [10]. Most shockingly, each and every one of these substances has already been tested on animals, and are already widely used by humans in vast quantities.

A complete summary of all 11 leaked documents can be found in our investigative report, 'HLS Unmasked', which can be downloaded for free from our website at www.shac.net.

Experiment 1: HLS pump unleaded gas into the lungs of pregnant rats



On behalf of the American Petroleum Institute (API), unleaded petrol was contracted to be tested at HLS New Jersey.

A group of over 80 female Sprague Dawley rats were shipped into HLS and were promptly impregnated. The rats were kept individually in metal cages with wire mesh floors. In total, 72 rats were impregnated and started the experiment - the fate of the others remains unknown. Once the rats were six days into their pregnancies, they were forced into tubes for six hours daily for a total of just under two weeks. They were denied access to food or water.

During the experimental time, vaporised unleaded gasoline was pumped into the tubes, forcing the pregnant rats to inhale it for the entire six hours straight. After the 12-days of exposure to the gasoline, the rats were killed and sliced open to have their semi-formed babies and organs examined.

Experiment 2: Naturally-occuring 'coumarin' tested on rats

Coumarin occurs naturally in roots, bark, stems, leaves and fruits of some plants. It is sometimes used as a food additive, but due to its strong scent, it is commonly used in perfumes, cosmetics, soap and detergents.

In this study, baby rats were shipped into HLS and kept in stainless steel cages. A portion of the fur on their backs was shaved off. Coumarin was then squeezed onto the exposed skin, and the baby rats were then wrapped in aluminium foil. They were then left for differing periods of time, between 30 minutes and five days, before having the foil removed.

After an allotted amount of time, rats were killed by researchers snapping their necks. Perhaps one of the most shocking elements of the experiment was the conclusion, in which a HLS researcher stated that the rat is 'a very poor model for humans', summarising that the data could not be applied for human safety. Yet HLS use rats in a large percentage of their experiments.

> "In summary, the rat is a very poor model for humans, and toxicity in the rat cannot be extrapolated to humans.
>
> - HLS, Food & Chemical Toxicology 2001

Experiment 3: Herbal supplement made of grape tested on over 200 rats

A herbal supplement made from grape seed and grape skin extract, was tested on a huge amount of rats, contracted by MegaNatural.

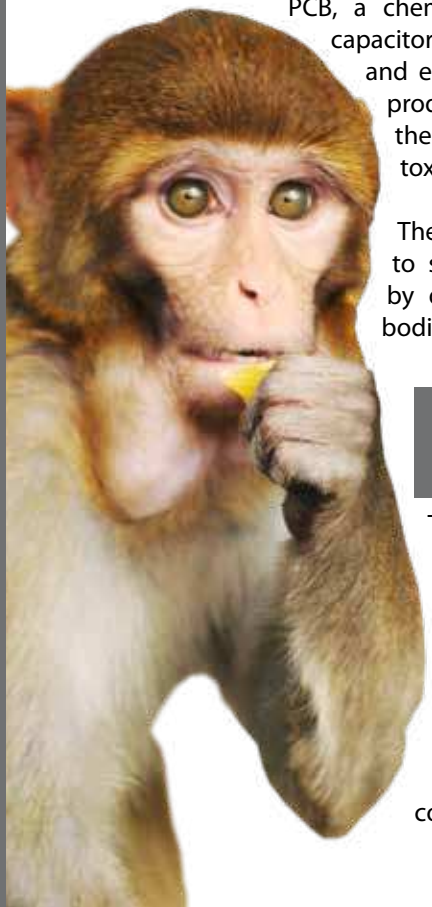
Over 200 rats were delivered to HLS New Jersey, where they were assigned to five different groups, each group destined to receive a differing concentration of grape. Each rat had a metal tag pierced into their ears in order to make them identifiable, and were housed individually in wire mesh cages for the duration of the experiment.



High concentrations of Meganatural's grape seed and grape skin supplements were then added to their diets. After 96 days of being forced to eat huge doses of MegaNatural's herbal supplement, the animals were gassed to death using carbon dioxide and had their organs weighed and examined.

Experiment 4: Chemical banned since 1979 tested on Rhesus primates

HLS used 16 young adult female rhesus monkeys to test PCB, a chemical compound used in capacitors, coolants, dielectric fluids and electrical components. PCB production was banned in the US in 1979 due to severe toxicity.



The PCB was administered to some groups of monkeys by direct injection into their bodies. The other groups were 'lightly anesthetised', had their fur shaven off and the contaminated PCB soil strapped to their bodies in order to make contact with their skin. They were then fitted with jackets to stop them tearing off the attached soil samples.

The experiment was based on one previously conducted in 1993, which was almost identical in procedure except for the space allotted to the primates involved and soil type used. PCBs have been repeatedly and extensively tested already and are banned from production in the US due to them being extremely toxic. After the tests, the monkeys were returned to await new experiments.

Experiment 5: Botox tested on rats and rabbits

This experiment was funded by Allergan, a large manufacturer of Botox, primarily as a cosmetic for wrinkle-reduction. Botox can either be used as a cosmetic to minimise the sight of wrinkles, or as means of reducing muscle spasms and other muscular problems. The chemical comes with a lot of controversy due to companies using this loophole to test cosmetics on animals.

In the experiment, two groups of baby rats (24 per group) were injected with varying concentrations of Botox. In addition, rabbits were injected with the substance into their eyelids. The rats were observed and consequently killed by carbon dioxide gassing. The rabbits were also killed, and all animals were examined to see if there had been any effect.

Experiment 6: Naturally-occuring 'coumarin' tested on mice and rats (again)



Despite having already tested this substance at least once themselves, and the fact that the effects of coumarin have been investigated for the past 40 years, HLS have been killing mice and rats in more unnecessary tests.

Rats and baby mice were shipped into HLS, some from the US. The mice were then force fed the coumarin by oral gavage – inserting a tube down their tiny throats and pouring the coumarin substance directly to their stomachs. Other groups of mice were given high doses of coumarin in their diet. At set intervals after consuming the product, they were killed by a method known as "exsanguination" - which means they were deliberately made to bleed to death.

Rats were also force fed high doses of coumarin via oral gavage. These rats had previously been operated upon to have cannulas pre-inserted into their jugular veins so that blood could be withdrawn from them at regular intervals.
All remaining animals were killed at the end of the experiment.

Experiment 7: Food additive (PVA) tested on 160+ animals

In this experiment, HLS tested a substance which is used as a food additive, cosmetic, or coating of supplement pills, known as Polyvinyl Alcohol (PVA).

PVA has been used for many years and is described as regularly consumed globally with a "long history of safe use". When the experiments began, 6 week old rats fed PVA in varying concentrations for a minimum time of 3 months. After this time, all 160 rats were killed and dissected. Unsurprisingly, no negative effects of consuming PVA were found in the rats.

In the second part of the experiment, HLS then tested the substance on an unknown number of mice. The mice were force fed the test substance at varying concentrations using the oral gavage method. After more than 2 months, the mice that had not already died were killed. HLS admitted that a blunder by staff who took too much blood accidentally killed two of the mice.

Experiment 8: Food additive (PVA) tested on over 200 pregnant rats

After an initial experiment involving the deaths of 160 rats and an unknown number of mice (see above), HLS then went on to test the exact same substance, PVA, on pregnant rats.

224 rats were shipped into HLS, where they were evaluated, and 208 chosen for experimentation. The females were then impregnated and some groups were given diets which included varying concentrations of PVA. Rats who did not fall pregnant were killed at 26 days after mating. The others, including the babies, were killed by either carbon dioxide overdosing or use of other drugs. Unsurprisingly, having already tested this substance and knowing that it has been consumed by humans for many years, the conclusion of the experiment was that PVA is "safe for human consumption".

> "PVA has a long history of safe use in a number of products on a global basis.
> - HLS, Food & Chemical Toxicology 2003

Experiment 9: Soybean fiber tested on hundreds of baby rats

In this astonishing experiment, where a regular food eaten by people globally on a daily basis, rats were used to test a product we all already know to be totally fit for human consumption - soluble soybean fiber.

176 rats were shipped into HLS at 4 weeks old and began the experiment shortly after. Varying concentrations of soybean fiber were added to the rats' diets, and notes were made regarding their weight and general appearance. After a set period of time, all animals were killed. The rats were starved overnight, and the following day, they were anesthetised with carbon dioxide before being bled to death. Of course, there were no adverse effects in the rats from the consumption of soy fiber and the experiment was concluded as such.



Experiment 10: Food preservative (LAE) tested on rabbits and rats

LAE is a synthetically-produced food preservative. It has been tested on animals at HLS alone in at least 14 experiments, ranging from subjecting pregnant rats to the substance, to forcing tubes down rabbit's throats to pump LAE solution into their stomachs. The previous experiments date from as far back as 1995 and can already demonstrate the effect of this food preservative in animals.

In one study, HLS force-fed groups of rats with varying doses of the LAE food preservative. After 13 weeks, all animals were killed and stripped of their organs to see any possible effects.
In further duplicate experiments, HLS impregnated rats and rabbits, and used oral gavage to pour the LAE substance directly into the animals stomachs. After timed observations, all animals were killed and their unborn babies cut open for examination. The experiment looked at a number of repeated animal experiments and found that LAE has no detrimental effect upon the health of the animals force-fed the substance.



Experiment 11: Food preservative (LAE) tested on rabbits and rats

Rather typically for animal experimentation, the various other experiments whereby paraffin wax was previously tested on animals have given differing results, throwing all of the previous studies into question, and allowing HLS to reach the conclusion that yet more animal experiments will solve this problem.

Paraffin wax is widely used in food, cosmetics and packaging. HLS made rats eat paraffin wax for either 30, 60 or 90 days before being killed and dissected.

The study concluded by pointing out that previous studies cannot be relied upon in terms of evaluating if paraffin wax is safe for humans due to the large discrepancies between different breeds of rats used. In short, some other animal studies are in fact "of questionable relevance for human safety".

> These results add to the evidence from other studies that the dietary effects of MHCs [such as paraffin wax] in the F-344 rat are of questionable relevance for human safety evaluation. - HLS, Food & Chemical Toxicology 2010

Write to the customers who paid for these experiments

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  Web: www.meganaturalbp.com

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GLOBAL DI



Take action!

Get your diaries ready! The following dates are co-ordinated global days of action against key HLS supporters. If you can't make a demo, why not write or phone them instead?



> APRIL: Friday 29th

#1264 Day: Day of action in memory of beagle #1264, who was murdered inside HLS. Choose your own target, but the focus is on top customers and beagle breeders.

> MAY: Monday 23rd - 28th

Top Customer week of action: Go get the top funders of HLS! AstraZeneca, Bayer, Schering Plough and the other animal abusers...



Keep up with the latest diary dates at:

www.shac.net

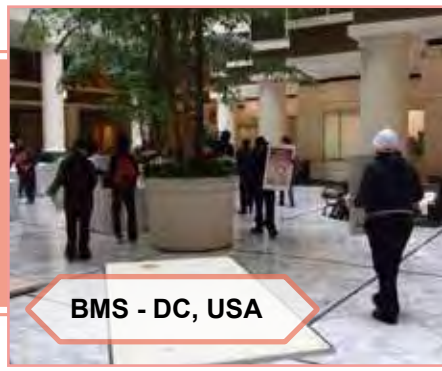




AstraZenec



Novartis - DC, USA



BMS - DC, USA

FINANCIAL FOCUS

Fortress Home Demo - LA, USA







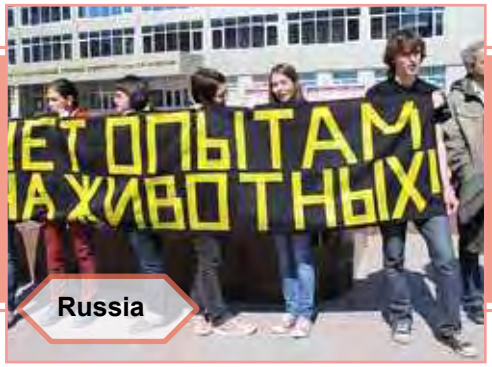
Fortress / AG - Portland, USA

EMOS round-up



a - Montreal, Canada


PPI - Florida, USA (see p.2)


Russia



AstraZeneca - Luton, UK


Sanofi Aventis- Paris, France


AstraZeneca - Sweden


AstraZeneca - Spain



AstraZeneca - Peru


BMS - Netherlands

WEEK OF ACTION >> 20-26th September


Fortress - London, UK


Fortress / AG - Seattle, USA



Legg Mason - London


Nomura - Brazil



Fortress / BoA - Canada


Ocean Finance - Midlands, UK

10,000 MARCH AGAINST VIVISECTION IN ROME



Green Hill currently imprison 2,500 beagles in their puppy farm in Northern Italy, from which the dogs are shipped all over Europe to companies such as Novartis, Wyeth, Bayer and, of course, HLS.

The campaign against them has already seen some big marches as well as a demo at their breeding facility. So far the campaign has succeeded in forcing a halt to the planned expansion of the breeders, which would have doubled the number of dogs bred to die inside Green Hill. Campaigners have also managed to stop all shipments from the nearby airport, from which the beagle puppies were shipped to the UK and France, as well as persuading the only Italian manager to resign from her job.

In the week leading up to the mass mobilisation in Rome on September 25th, there were actions against this beagle breeder at Italian embassies across Europe and Canada, including six demos in the UK, to highlight the campaign to close them down, as well as protests and banner drops in Italy.

This culminated with a huge march in Rome attended by an estimated 10,000 people who listened to speakers on abolitionism, anti speciesism, grass roots activism, veganism, direct action, supporting prisoners and of course the campaign to close Green Hill. This incredible turnout must easily make this the largest ever protest against vivisection in mainland Europe.



The march culminated in the Piazza Navona in Rome with incredible emotion, as thousands upon thousands of people flooded into the square, it took almost 30 minutes for all the people to arrive... incredible!

As well as the march itself, groups across Italy also took to the streets, with smaller demos against vivisection in Torino, Milano, Trento, Catania, Cagliari and Firenze... which saw thousands more denouncing the cruelty and fraud of vivisection.

A spokesperson for the campaign against Green Hill said:

"There is so much to be told on this demo/march. We have more plans and will use this new strength to spread action against vivisection all over Italy. There will be a week of action against vivisection and against Green Hill from November 1st to 7th."

For more information about the campaign, see the Italian website:

www.fermaregreenhill.net/wp

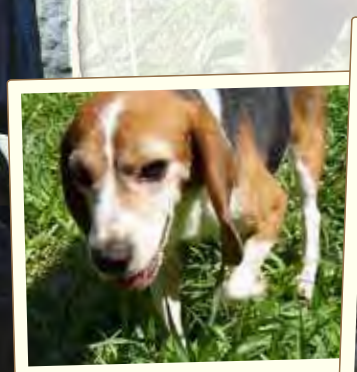


FIVE BEAGLES RESCUED FROM VIVISECTION

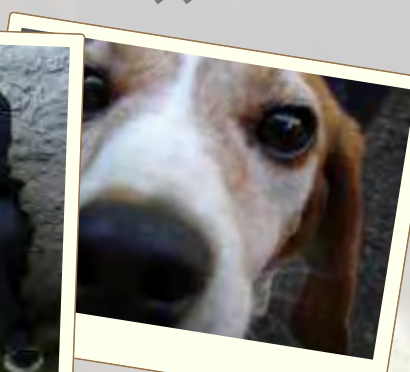
Milan, Italy

"To free them from the cold world of research it was not necessary to get into the alarmed kennels of the labs, but we just had to make them 'disappear' ... A wall to jump, some cages to open, and in a few minutes five new friends have been saved."









GATEWAY TO HELL

Campaign to halt the import of essential lab animals for the vivisection industry returns like a punch in the face

In August 2010, the Gateway to Hell campaign was re-launched as part of the National Anti-Vivisection Alliance (NAVA), with the aim of ending the import and export of animals for use in laboratory experiments. Recent reports from within the life sciences industry indicated extreme difficulties in the sourcing of animals and showing the vulnerabilities in the transport network, with breeders unable to supply the vast amount of animals being used. This exposed recent information that nearly all primates used in UK laboratories are imported, as are beagles and cats. It also showed to campaigners for the first time that rodents were scarce due to the patents and copyrights placed on each individual genetic strain by companies and university departments across the globe, with many rodents being flown from the USA, Switzerland and Japan. As a result, Gateway to Hell was re-formed to bring an end to the supply of animals for laboratories across the globe.

The first target, alongside activists in Israel and Europe, was El Al airlines, the only airline willing to fly primates for the BioCulture Mazor Farm, and the only passenger airline flying monkeys into the UK. Regular protests were mounted at their Head Office and sales offices in London, Manchester and other cities. Following an intense campaign of action and humiliation for the airline, they announced that they would no longer fly any animals destined for experimentation and since the decision, not a single primate has been exported from Israel. The future of the farm is now bleak and closure is imminent. Following the decision, all primate imports into the UK were diverted to Manchester Airport as no other passenger airline would take part. Specialist charter flights were organised by vivisection transport company, Impex, with the costs drastically increasing. However, we were on their tail and contacted every company involved. Instantly, the ground handling agents pulled out, as did the airline - Spanish-based Aeronova. That evening, Aeronova were due to fly 40 primates into Manchester and out of all the charter airlines in Europe, only one would handle the shipment and a long delay was entailed. However, they later pulled out and Aeronova once again begun transporting primates and expanding into beagles for a huge sum of over 10,000 per flight. A number of their flights have been cancelled due to activist pressure, other handling agents have refused to transport lab animal and the fight against them continues.

In early September 2010, we teamed up with activists in Italy who are campaigning against Marshall Green Hill, Europe's largest beagle breeding facility who supply many laboratories globally and are a major reason why Aeronova begun transporting lab animals again. Protests were co-ordinated at Italian consulates across the UK and as far afield as Canada, calling upon the Italian government to enforce a law on the breeding of dogs at Green Hill. Immense support was given and we have been given the news that the legislation should be enforced, resulting in the expected closure of the vivisection breeding centre.

By late September, the campaign moved back to the primate trade with the word that BioCulture were attempting to expand their facility in Puerto Rico by 3,000 primates. Along with a number of other campaigns, we called upon supporters to email the local authority and apply pressure for this to be stopped and when the result arrived, it was better than expected. Not only was the expansion refused, but the government also outlawed the use of primates in research and their import and export for vivisection. As a result BioCulture have been forced to close down, striking a major blow to the primate trade and a company which was, this time last year, one of the biggest suppliers of monkeys on it's knees.

The global effects of Gateway to Hell and those we campaign alongside are starting to show. With the battle being waged and won, the attention is set to turn towards the Island of Mauritius where BioCulture own their last farm and source each of their primates. To get involved, visit our website and get in touch. This is a fight we can and will win.

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TAKE ACTION!

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France

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BRACE YOURSELVES...
WE ARE EXPECTING TURBULENCE



Office run-ins, conferences disrupted, activists loc

In Sweden, France, Chile, Peru, Ireland, USA, The Netherlands, Spain, Canada and across the UK in Bri



It's all about Astr

Over the past few months protests have being growing against AstraZeneca, a current and continuous customer of HLS. With protests at their sites, offices and conferences globally, and even a football match in the UK! With many protests at AstraZeneca's shareholders - BlackRock, Invesco, Axa and Legal & General too. Activists have been busy bringing the message home to AstraZeneca and their supporters that if they deal with HLS - they'll have to deal with us! AstraZeneca help keep the abuse and torture going at HLS with their important financial support, this is totally unacceptable!

Now is the time to put more pressure on AstraZeneca, a company that not only uses HLS - but has lied about their side effects, suppressed test data and recently been raised by the European Commission who are investigated them for colluding to keep cheap drugs off the market to try and make even more profit on the backs of animal suffering.

We urge readers to take action by either organising demos, writing, emailing or phoning them, together we can make a difference!



>> Spanish activists protest against HLS

34 Spanish activists from Bloque Antiespecista de Euskadi (Basque antiespecist Group) demonstrated at Plaza del Arenal - a very busy area in the city centre of Bilbao to show images of vivisection and the names of HLS customers including AstraZeneca. We also showed on a laptop the undercover footage from inside HLS and informed passers by about the vivisection industry. We handed out many leaflets and we had great support from the public.

We won't turn our back on the animals who need us and we will fight for all of them until all are free!





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stol, Luton, Loughborough, London, Birmingham and Cheshire

raZeneca

AstraZeneca Global Week of Action >> February 2011
Key conferences stormed, disrupted and protested

AstraZeneca's conferences were off to an excellent start, with three of their conferences targeted with speakers being joined by SHACtivists, who strolled past security, stormed onto the stage to demand an end to the experiments inside HLS.

> **Carrying placards and chanting, we walked onto the stage to directly address AstraZeneca's speaker and the other delegates asking AstraZeneca and Pfizer to follow the lead of Novartis, Roche and other pharma companies and stop funding HLS' cruel experiments.**

Predictive Toxicology & Generic Medicine Conferences

Activists in London targeted the three day Predictive Toxicology Conference 2011 near Tower Hill as part of the week of action against AstraZeneca. Strolling past security and down into the American Square Conference Centre activists disrupted a talk by AstraZeneca's Mick Fellows to find out why AstraZeneca continue their support for HLS and vivisection despite numerous exposés revealing HLS's cruelty towards animals and lack of regard for the law.

The speaker looked uncomfortable when accused of associating with criminals and refused to justify AstraZeneca's involvement with HLS. Security eventually ended his embarrassment by man-handling the activists and escorting them outside the conference room. As they left the activists continued to loudly demand an end to support for HLS.



Activists decided to pay a visit to the second of this week's conference events attended by this deplorable company; a Generic Medicines conference held at the Hilton London Paddington hotel. The day was scheduled to begin with a talk lead by Renaud Sarvary from AstraZeneca. Activists (dressed in suits!) managed to once again bypass security and enter during the middle of the talk.

Take this as a message AstraZeneca – until you cut your ties with HLS, we will continue turning up at your events and ensuring that everybody knows what a morally bankrupt organisation you are!

> **Activists managed to once again bypass security and enter the room during the middle of the talk. Whilst the audience looked on in surprise, peaceful campaigners unfurled posters displaying images of animals that have been murdered at the hands of HLS' sadistic workers - paid for by AstraZeneca.**

Now is the time to put more pressure on AstraZeneca!



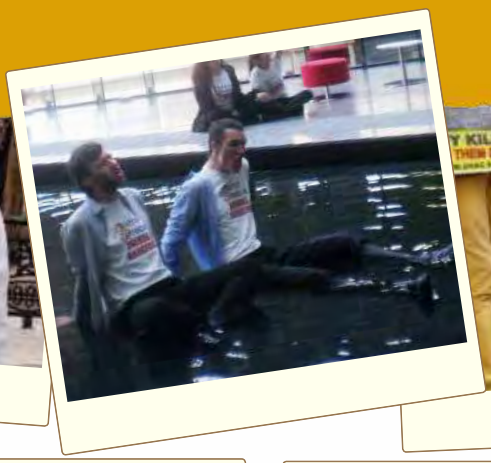
















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AstraZeneca - Lima, Peru



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AstraZeneca - Santiago, Chile



AstraZeneca - Paris, France



AstraZeneca - DC, USA



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If you don't have an Astrazeneca or AstraZeneca subsidiary near you, what about doing protests against AstraZeneca's main shareholders - BlackRock, Invesco, Investor AB, Axa and Legal & General?

BLACKROCK
investor
Invesco
AXA
Legal & General

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<< Activists chain themselves together inside AstraZeneca's new global HQ offices

AstraZeneca's new Corporate HQ at Two Kingdom Street, Paddington Central, London, W2 6BD (Tel: 020 7304 5000 and 020 7604 8000) was recently visited by activists who sent a clear and loud message to AstraZeneca - we will not tolerate your continued animal abuse and torture! - Activists, chained together walked into their office building and chanting for half an hour about their dealings in vivisection with many staff peering down from their offices on the top floors, we left as the police arrived and we then sat down on the entrance of the building to continue to highlight AstraZeneca's cruelty and animal abuse to the neighbouring companies outside within the complex. After a while we moved away from their building but continued to chant and name and shame AstraZeneca for their animal abuse!

You know AstraZeneca that we will not leave you alone until you stop your animal torture. See you soon.

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SHAC UK prisoners

The following activists have all been imprisoned for trying to force the closure of Huntingdon Life Sciences. They are convicted of 'conspiring' to blackmail and interfere with the contractual relationships of HLS and their customers. A conspiracy the UK Government should have carried out in 1997, when HLS were first exposed breaking the law.



Heather Nicholson (A3158AJ)
HMP Foston Hall, Foston, Derby,
Derbyshire DE65 5DN
Sentence: 11 years
Birthday: 30th January



Gregg Avery (A4874AD)
HMP Coldingley, Shaftesbury Road,
Bisley, Woking, Surrey GU24 9EX
Sentence: 9 years
Birthday: 5h December



Natasha Avery (A5180AD)
HMP Send, Ripley Road, Woking, Surrey
GU23 7LJ.
Sentence: 9 years
Birthday: 28th December



Gavin Medd-Hall (A3624AD)
HMP Coldingley, Shaftesbury Road,
Bisley, Woking, Surrey GU24 9EX
Sentence: 8 years
Birthday: 20th March



Dan Wadham (A5705AA)
HMP Camp Hill, Newport, Isle of Wight
PO30 5PB
Sentence: 5 years
Birthday: 3rd February



Sarah Whitehead (VM7684)
HMP Bronzefield, Woodthorpe Road,
Ashford, Middlesex. TW15 3JZ
Sentence: 6 years
Birthday: 12th February





Released

Nicole and Gerrah have now been released from prison and will serve the rest of their sentence on strict license conditions. They would like to thank all those who supported them during their time in prison.



Tom Harris (A8086AX)
HMP Winchester, Romsey Road,
Winchester, Hampshire, SO22 5DF
Sentence: 4 years
Birthday: 21st May



Jason Mullen (JJ)
JJ. has asked to be removed from the mailing list due to personal reasons but would like to extend a huge thank you to everyone for their previous support.



Released

Nicci Tapping was released on 23rd March 2011. She is grateful for all the support she received.

for the most up-to-date information, check out:
www.arprisoners.org

What you can send...

All of the SHAC UK prisoners except for Dan Wadham can receive SAE's, stamps (Gregg and Gavin have a limit of 12 per letter), Cheques/POs made out to 'The Governor' (for Gregg and Gavin please make the Cheque/PO out to 'HMP Headquarters'). All Cheques/POs must have the prisoner's name and number on the reverse, as well as your name and address.

All prisoners except for Gregg, Gavin and Dan can receive Stationery and blank cards.

Dan Wadham can only receive Cheques/POs (made payable to 'HMPS').

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Jonny Ablewhite (A5750AH)
HMP Hewell, Hewell Lane, Redditch, Worcs B97 6QS
Birthday: 27th January



Kerry Whitburn (TB4886)
HMP Lowdham Grange, Lowdham, Nottingham NG14 7DA
Birthday: 18th April

Jonny and Kerry are both serving 12 years for their part in the succesful campaign against the Newchruch Guinea Pig Farm.

Both can recieve cheques/POs. Jonny's must be made payable to 'HM Prisons', and Kerry's to 'HMP LOWDHAM GRANGE'. Put their name and number on the back, as well as your name and address.



Mel Broughton (A3892AE)
HMP Bullingdon, PO Box 50, Oxford OX25 1WD.
Mel is serving 10 years for actions against Oxford Uni.



Released

Lewis has now been released, having been in prison for a further two months for breaching his parole conditions.

Robert Griffiths was released on August 11th 2010 having served 10 months of an 18 month sentence. He thanks everyone who supported him.

Non-UK prisoners

Kevin Kjonaas, 93502-011
FCI Sandstone, P.O. Box 1000, Sandstone, MN 55072, USA.

Walter Bond, 2011-03339
(Updated 13-04-11, moved and new number)
Davis County Jail, PO Box 130, Farmington, UT 84025-0130, USA.

Nathan Block, 36359-086
FCI Lompoc, 3600 Guard Road, Lompoc, CA 93436, USA.

Marie Mason, 04672-061
FMC Carswell, Federal Medical Center, P.O. Box 27137, Fort Worth, TX 76127, USA.

Eric McDavid, 16209-097
FCI Victorville, Medium II, PO Box 5300, Adelanto, CA 92301, USA.

Daniel McGowan, 63794-053
FCI Terre Haute - CMU, P.O. Box 33 Terre Haute, IN 47808, USA.

Steve Murphy, 39013-177
FCI Beaumont Medium, PO Box 26040, Beaumont, TX 77720, USA

Joyanna L Zacher, 36360-086
FCI Dublin, 5701 8th St - Camp Parks, Unit E, DUBLIN, CA 94568, USA.

Check locations online at: www.bop.gov/iloc2/LocateInmate.jsp

Released

- **Alex Hall**
- **Kevin Olliff**
- **Jonathan Paul** (released to halfway house)
- **Jonathan Pollak**
- **William Viehl**
- **Briana Waters** (original conviction overturned)

"The fight is not for us, not for our personal wants and needs. It is for every animal that has ever suffered and died in the vivisection labs, and for every animal that will suffer and die in those same labs unless we end this evil business now. The souls of the tortured dead cry out for justice, the cry of the living is for freedom. We can create that justice and we can deliver that freedom. The animals have no one but us. We will not fail them". - **Barry Horne**

Writing to prisoners

Receiving letters and cards from animal rights supporters helps to stop prisoners feeling isolated from the outside world. For many it is the highlight of their day, and other prisoners are often amazed at the amount of mail animal rights prisoner receive! If you are not sure what to write, just let them know what is going on in your daily life, keep things positive and cheery. You could send in poems and stories, or interesting news articles. Steer clear of asking specific questions relating to their offences. If you aren't one for writing, then just a card to let them know you are thinking of them will always be appreciated. Don't worry if you do not receive a response, or it is a long time until you hear back, because prisoners often have a lot of mail to respond to, or they may not have enough money or time to reply.

It is now possible to email all UK prisoners. Visit **www.emailaprisoner.com** for more information.

SHAC SHOP

All of these resources and more are available to download for free, in a variety of languages, at:
www.shac.net/resources/download.html

General HLS strip leaflet



Time for Action 4 DVD



Our latest DVD containing:
- Time for Action 1, 2, 3 and 4
- HLS cruelty footage and exposes

HLS Petition



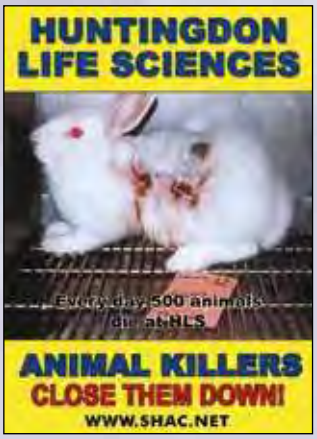
SHAC Sticker



A2 Puppy Killer Poster



A2 Animal Killer Poster



Information pack



Merchandise order form

Merchandise is free unless otherwise stated. All donations welcome!

Complete and return to:
Stop Huntingdon Animal Cruelty,
BM SHAC, London, WC1N 3XX

Item	Amount	£
HLS general strip leaflet		
Time for Action 4 DVD - £3.00 The brand new 2009 SHAC movie. Comes complete with all previous Time For Action movies and exposes. Footage is non copyright.		
Petitions (please consider printing these from home to help us save funds)		
SHAC sticker (9.8cm x 9.8cm)		
Puppy Killer poster This poster is for demonstrations. Size A2 (42cm x 59.4cm).		
Animal Killer poster This poster is for demonstrations. Size A2 (42cm x 59.4cm).		
Infomation pack Contains a campaign overview, comprehensive booklet covering all of the exposes from 1997 to 2008, and one of each current leaflet. Ideal for those who are new to the campaign and want to know more.		
Donations to help towards printing and postage costs are greatly appreciated!		
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Keep up with the action!

SHAC e-m@il alerts

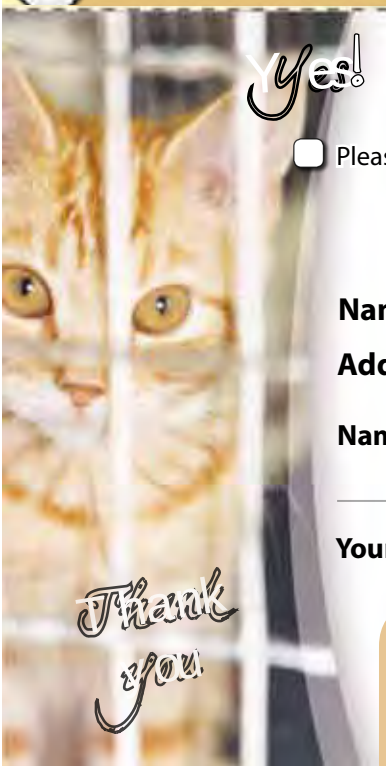
https://lists.riseup.net/www/subscribe/shac-uk



YOU HAVE THE POWER TO SAVE HIM.

SHAC volunteers work tirelessly, seven days a week to bring an end to suffering like this. With your help, we can save more lives and stop the horrific cruelty going on inside HLS. SHAC is a global campaign that has closed HLS twice and is at the brink of closing them a third time - for good. Funds are an important part of keeping the campaign running; if you could spare any amount, we would greatly appreciate it. Don't let HLS get away with murdering 500 animals each day - take a stand!

Please return completed form to: Stop Huntingdon Animal Cruelty, BM SHAC, London, WC1N 3XX



Yes! I'd like to help stop HLS cruelty

STANDING ORDER FORM

☐ Please pay the sum of £..... on the ..... day of every month as from ...../...../..... to the credit of SHAC

Signature: _____ **Today's date:** _____

Name (Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms): _____ **Tel:** _____

Address: _____

Name and address of your bank: _____

_____ **Postcode:** _____

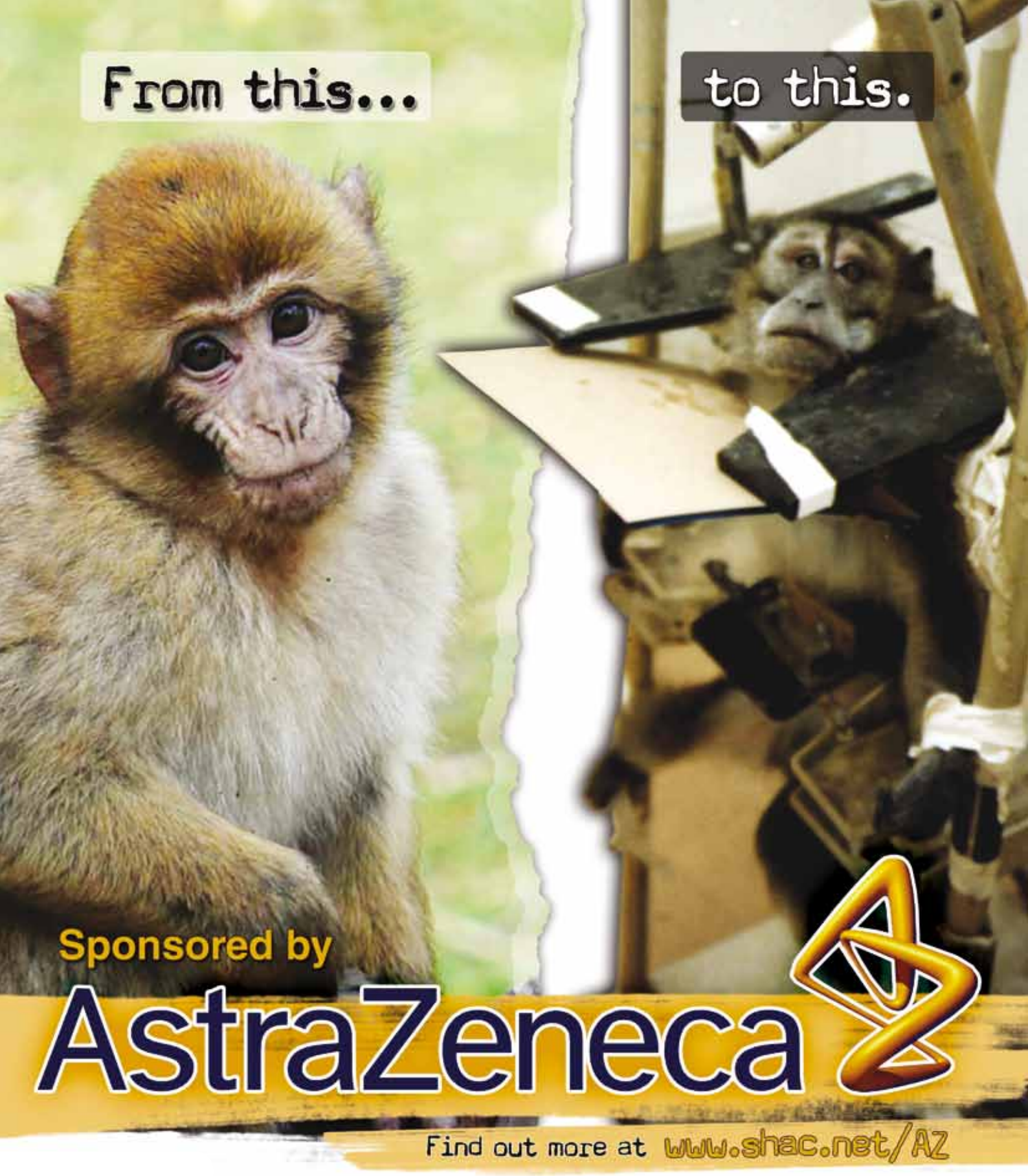
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Thank you

Office use only - please don't write in this box | **Standing orders must be paid to:**

Stop Huntingdon Animal Cruelty (SHAC) **Account number:** ..... **Sort code:** .....

Bank address: .....





>> SHAC DISCLAIMER

This newsletter is not intended to encourage illegal activity of any kind. SHAC's intent is to close down HLS by legitimate means only, spreading information and disseminating facts relating to Huntingdon Life Sciences' record of animal cruelty, fraud and incompetence. We believe there is more than enough evidence for the UK Government to withdraw Huntingdon's license and close them down. Readers must bear in mind that certain demonstrations, e.g. home demonstrations and office occupations are now illegal in the UK although they are perfectly legal in other countries, and the inclusion of reports relating to these demo's abroad does in no sense amount to encouragement to do similar demos in the UK.

Companies details are listed for the purpose of readers making informative and polite communications with the companies listed. The details are not intended for repetitive, rude or threatening calls. SHAC is a global organisation and so the laws differ from country to country. Sections 145 and 146 of SOCPA in the UK make it a specific offence to target a company involved in the vivisection industry with a view to getting them to sever a contract by illegal means.

So what does that mean? Does that mean demonstrations, phone calls and e-mails are now illegal? No it doesn't, but what it does mean is to target a company illegally is. So what does illegally mean? Well, for example, to ring a company up and say they should stop dealing with HLS "or else" is illegal because it is threatening. It is all about using your common sense and proportionality. If you are still unsure please consult the legal booklet. You can always contact us about legal issues and also check out: **www.freebeagles.org** and **www.activistslegalproject.org.uk**.