

WHAT IS ETHICAL ANIMAL RESEARCH?



WHAT DO WE MEAN BY 'ETHICAL'?

The humane care of research animals from their acquisition and housing to their experience in research and thereafter.



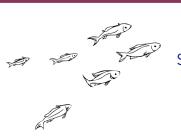
RESEARCH BENEFITS ANIMALS

Animal research has allowed for the eradication of certain diseases in cattle, vaccinations for pets, and the development of prescription diets to improve animal health.



RESEARCH BENEFITS HUMANS

Medical advances, like cancer treatments and organ transplants, exist because they were initially studied in animals.



REGULATIONS

Specific guidelines for ethical animal research are established by national governments and upheld by Institutional Animal Care and Use Committees (IACUCs).



Many research institutions seek voluntary accreditation by independent organizations, like AAALAC which recognizes the maintenance of high standards of animal care.



The 3R's of animal research, reduction, refinement, and replacement, encourage scientists to develop new techniques that allow them to reduce and replace animals in research when appropriate.





HOW TO GET INVOLVED

Check out BRADglobal.org for fact sheets and coloring pages all about animal research.

Consider hosting a BRAD event using resources for classroom takeovers, trivinights, tabling, and more!



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