

About animal testing Sakuragreene

Do you like animals? Dogs, cats, rabbits?? There are so many cute animals living in the world. Today, I would like to talk about animal testing.

Do you ever use everyday items without thinking about how they come to market?

Well, I used to. I had been using cosmetics and hair care products every day without much thought.

One day during a summer break, when I was watching TikToks, a video appeared in my recommended section. It was an animated video about animal testing. The main character, a rabbit named Ralph, and several other rabbits have had been used in experiments. Even though it was only a 30-second video, the content was very painful and brutal.

Since the TikTok video was cut short, I became curious and searched for it on YouTube. The video is titled *Save Ralph*, and it came up at the top of the search results. The video was three minutes longer than TikTok's, and I started watching it out of curiosity. In the beginning, Ralph, the main character, is being interviewed by a human about animal testing. From the very start, Ralph body was painful to watch it, as Ralph explains that he is blind in his left eye, his right ear is constantly ringing, and his body hurts every time he breathes. And he says, "This is my job, and I feel proud of it. My family died with pride. So, I keep doing these things." After watching this video, I felt a deep sadness and I cried.

This video made me think about the purpose of animal testing. The main purpose is to evaluate the effectiveness and safety for the new treatments and medicines. Thanks to past experiments, many treatments for diseases have been developed, and countless lives have been saved. For example, the development of vaccines would not have been possible without animal testing.

However, animal testing causes significant pain and stress to animals, so recently, culture technology and computer simulations are being used instead. In this way, we don't have to hurt animals anymore and we can save their lives. I believe pharmaceutical and cosmetic companies should apply these methods in order to protect animals' lives.

Thank you for listening