

Health Charities and Animal Testing

This factfile indicates the animal testing policies of UK medical charities. It is not definitive, as policies change.

Please contact Animal Aid should you receive a reply from a charity on this issue, so that we may keep this list up to date.

In addition, some charities may not be directly involved in animal research but are members of the Association of Medical Research Charities – an organisation that supports and promotes the use of animals in laboratories.

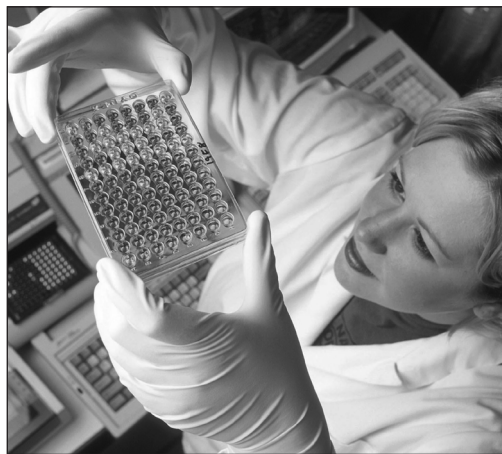
Please support the many charities that do not conduct or fund animal research.

- Action Against Allergy – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Action Cancer – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Action Duchenne – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Action for Blind People – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Action for ME - Does not currently fund animal research but has not ruled out doing so in future
- Action Medical Research – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Action on Addiction - Has never funded animal research but is a member of AMRC
- Action on Hearing Loss (formerly Royal National Institute for Deaf People, now merged with Deafness Research UK) – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Action on Pre-eclampsia – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Against Breast Cancer (also known as Action Against Breast Cancer) – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Allergy UK (formerly British Allergy Foundation) – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Alstrom Syndrome UK – Does not conduct or fund animal research but has not ruled out doing so in the future
- Alzheimer's Research UK (formerly Alzheimer's Research Trust) – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Alzheimers Scotland – Does not conduct or fund animal research but has not ruled out doing so in the future
- Alzheimer's Society – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Amazons Breast Cancer Support Group – Has not made a statement
- Animal Cancer Trust – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Animal Health Trust – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Anthony Nolan Bone Marrow Trust – Does not conduct or fund animal research but is a member of AMRC
- Arterial Health Foundation – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- The Arthritic Association – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Arthritis Care – Does not conduct or fund animal research, because they are not a research charity
- Arthritis Research UK (formerly Arthritis Research Campaign) – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Aspire National Training Centre – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Association for all Speech Impaired Children (Afac) – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- The Association for Glycogen Storage Disease UK – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Asthma, Allergy & Inflammation Research (AAIR) – Does not conduct or fund animal research but has not ruled out doing so in the future
- Asthma UK (formerly National Asthma Campaign) – Does conduct or fund animal research
- AT Society (Ataxia Telangiectasia Society) – Is not currently funding any research on live animals, but is funding one project using mouse cells. Is a member of AMRC.
- Ataxia UK – Does conduct or fund animal research
- AVERT – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Age Care (formerly Royal Surgical Aid Society) – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- The Age-Related Diseases and Health Trust – Does not conduct or fund animal research but has not ruled out doing so in the future
- Age UK (merger of Age Concern, Research into Aging and Help The Aged) – Does not conduct or fund animal research. Animal research projects it previously funded will finish in December 2015.
- Alcohol Concern – Does not conduct or fund animal research





- BackCare (National Back Pain Association) – Does not conduct or fund animal research is a member of AMRC and cannot vouch for its affiliated organisations
- Back-Up Trust – Does not conduct or fund animal research, because they are not a research charity
- BACP Research Foundation – Does not conduct or fund animal research but is a member of AMRC
- Balls to Cancer – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Barts Hospital – Has not made a statement
- Batten Disease Family Research – Does conduct or fund animal research
- BEAT - Beating Eating Disorders (formerly Eating Disorders Association) – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Beating Bowel Cancer – 'is not a research charity and therefore does not conduct, fund or support any research' this will be their policy for the 'foreseeable' future.
- The Big C (formerly The Big C appeal) – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Birmingham Children's Hospital Charity (formerly Birmingham Children's Hospital NHS trust) – Does conduct or fund animal research
- The Blackie Foundation Trust (formerly The Blackie Foundation) – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Bloodwise (formerly Leukaemia and Lymphoma Research) – Does conduct or fund animal research
- The Bob Champion Cancer Trust – Does not conduct or fund animal research and states it is unlikely to do so
- Bone Cancer Research Trust – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Cancer & Breast Cancer Campaign– Does conduct or fund animal research
- Breast Cancer Care – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Breast Cancer Survival Trust – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Breast Cancer UK – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Breast Friends – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- British Council for the Prevention of Blindness – Does conduct or fund animal research
- British Deaf Association – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- British Dyslexia Association – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- British Heart Foundation – Does conduct or fund animal research
- British Homeopathic Association – Does not conduct or fund animal research but is a member of AMRC
- British Institute for Brain Injured Children (BIBIC) – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- British Kidney Patient Association – Does not conduct or fund animal research, because it is not a research charity
- British Liver Trust – Does conduct or fund animal research
- British Lung Foundation – Does conduct or fund animal research
- British Organ Donor Society – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- British Polio Fellowship – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- British Red Cross – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- British Scoliosis Research Foundation – Does conduct or fund animal research
- British Skin Foundation – Does conduct or fund animal research
- British Tinnitus Association – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Brittle Bone Society – Does not conduct or fund animal research but has not ruled out doing so in the future
- The BUPA Foundation – Does not conduct or fund animal tests and states it is unlikely to do so, but is a member of AMRC
- Cancer Active (formerly Research Into Ovarian Cancer) – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Cancer Focus Northern Ireland – Does not currently test on animals, but has not ruled out doing so in the future
- Cancer Kin Centre – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Cancer Prevention Research Trust – Has not made a statement
- Cancer Recovery Foundation – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Cancer Research UK – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Cancer Research Wales – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Cancer Treatment & Research Trust – Has not made a statement
- Cardiac Risk in the Young – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Bosom Buddies – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Bosom Pals – Has not made a statement
- Bowel Cancer Information (formerly Lynn's Bowel Cancer Campaign) – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Bowel Cancer UK – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- The Brain Research Trust – Does conduct or fund animal research
- The Brain Tumour Charity (merger of Samantha Dickson Brain Tumour Trust and Brain Tumour UK) – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Brain Tumour Research - Does not currently fund or conduct animal research, but have not ruled out doing so in the future. Endorse the AMRC statement on animals in medical research
- Breast Cancer Now (merger of Breakthrough Tony Robins Breast Cancer Research Centre, Breakthrough Breast



- Cardiomyopathy Association – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Caring Cancer Trust – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Cerebra - Does not currently fund animal research but has not ruled out doing so in the future
- Chartered Society of Physiotherapy Charitable Trust – Does not conduct or fund animal research but is a member of AMRC
- Chest, Heart & Stroke Scotland (formerly Chest, Heart & Stroke Association Scotland) – Does not conduct or fund animal research but is a member of AMRC
- Child Growth Foundation – Says it doesn't know if the research projects it funds involve animals
- Childhood Eye Cancer Trust – Does not conduct or fund animal research but has not ruled out funding it in future
- Children With Cancer UK (formerly Children with Leukaemia) – Does conduct or fund animal research
- The Children's Cancer and Leukaemia Group (formerly United Kingdom Children's Cancer Study Group – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Children's Heart Surgery Fund – Does not conduct or fund animal research but has not ruled out doing so in the future
- Children's Liver Disease Foundation – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Children's Research Fund – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Christian Lewis Children's Cancer Care – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Chronic Granulomatous Disorder Research Trust – Does conduct or fund animal research
- The Circulation Foundation (merged with Vascular Society) – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Cleft Lip & Palate Association – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- CLIC Sargent – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- CLIMB – Does not conduct or fund animal research but has not ruled out doing so in the future
- Coeliac UK (formerly Coeliac Society) – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Colostomy Association (formerly British Colostomy Association) – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Comic Relief – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- CORE (formerly Digestive Disorders Foundation) – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Crohn's and Colitis UK – Does conduct or fund animal research
- The Cure Parkinson's Trust – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Cystic Fibrosis Trust – Does conduct or fund animal research
- DeafPLUS (formerly Breakthrough Deaf-Hearing Integration) – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- DebRA – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Dementia UK – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Diabetes Research & Wellness Foundation – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Diabetes UK – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Disabled Living Foundation – Has not made a statement
- Down's Heart Group – Does not conduct or fund animal research but has not ruled out doing so in the future
- Down's Syndrome Association – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Dr Hadwen Trust for Humane Research – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- The Duchy Health Charity (formerly Mermaid Centre) – Has not made a statement
- East Anglia's Children's Hospices – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Eating Disorders Foundation – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Ehlers-Danios Support UK – Does not conduct or fund animal research but has not ruled out doing so in the future
- Elton John AIDS Foundation – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- ENABLE Scotland – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Encephalitis Society – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Endometriosis UK – Does not conduct or fund animal research but has not ruled out doing so in the future and are members of AMRC
- Epilepsy Action (formerly British Epilepsy Action) - Does not conduct or fund animal research, but is a member of AMRC
- Epilepsy Scotland – Does not conduct or fund animal research



- Epilepsy Research UK (formerly Epilepsy Research Foundation) – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Epilepsy Society (formerly National Society for Epilepsy) – Does not conduct or fund animal research and has no plans to do so but believes that 'in some situations, there is no viable alternative to animal research'
- The Eve Appeal – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Fight for Sight – Does conduct or fund animal research
- FORCE Cancer Charity – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Foundation for Liver Research – Does not conduct or fund animal research but say they follow the AMRC code
- Foundation for the Study of Infant Deaths – Does conduct or fund animal research
- FRAME: Fund for the Replacement of Animals in Medical Experiments - Does not conduct or fund animal research
- The Freemasons' Grand Charity – Funds charities that conduct animal research
- Genesis Research Trust – Does conduct or fund animal research

- Genetic Disorders UK (formerly known as Jeans for Genes) – Does not fund or conduct animal research, nor do they provide grants to any charities to do so, however they may make grants to organisations which Animal Aid has listed as those to boycott
- Greater London Fund for the Blind – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Great Ormond St Hospital Children's Charity – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Guide Dogs for the Blind Association – Does not conduct or fund animal research, but there are concerns over how the dogs are used
- Guideposts – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- GUTS – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Haemophilia Society – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- The Haven (formerly Breast Cancer Haven) – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Headway – The Brain Injury Association – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Hearing Link – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Heart Research UK – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Kidney Research UK (formerly National Kidney Research Fund) – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Laura Crane Trust – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- LEPRO – Does not conduct or fund animal research but has not ruled out doing so in the future
- Leukaemia Care – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- The Little Foundation – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- The Lord Dowding Fund for Humane Research – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Lullaby Trust (formerly the Foundation for the Study of Infant Deaths) – Funds charities that conduct animal research
- LUPUS UK – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Lymphoma Association – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Macmillan Cancer Support – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Macular Society – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Marie Curie – Does not conduct or fund animal research but is a member of AMRC
- Martin House, Hospice for Children and Young People – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- The ME Association – Does not conduct or fund animal research and states it is unlikely to do so but is a member of AMRC
- Médecins Sans Frontières – Does conduct or fund animal research
- MENCAP - Does not conduct or fund animal research, because it is not a research charity
- Meningitis Now – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Meningitis Research Foundation – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Mental Health Foundation – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Michael Palin Centre for Stammering Children – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Micro and Anophthalmic Children's Society – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Mid-Kent Breast Cancer Research Appeal – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Migraine Action – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Migraine Trust – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Mind, The Mental Health Charity – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Motor Neurone Disease Association – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Movember – Does conduct or fund animal research
- MQ: Transforming Mental Health – Does conduct or fund animal research
- MS Research and Relief Fund – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- The Multiple Sclerosis Society – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Multiple Sclerosis Trust – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Muscular Dystrophy UK – Does conduct or fund animal research



- HEART UK (formerly Family Heart Association) – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Heartbeat – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Helen Rollason Cancer Charity – They are not involved in animal research at all and do not have a policy on it
- Henshaw's Society for the Blind – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Herpes Viruses Association – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- The Humane Research Trust – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Huntington's Disease Association – Does not conduct animal research
- Institute of Cancer Research – Does conduct or fund animal research
- International Glaucoma Association – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Irish Cancer Society – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Jeans for Genes Campaign – Does not fund or conduct animal research, nor do they provide grants to any charities to do so, however they may make grants to organisations which Animal Aid has listed as those to boycott
- John Charnley Trust – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Jo's Cervical Cancer Trust – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation – Does conduct or fund animal research



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- Myaware (also known as Myasthenia Gravis Association) – Does not currently fund any animal research but has not ruled out doing so in future
- The Myelin Project – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Myeloma UK – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Narcolepsy UK – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- National Ankylosing Spondylitis Society – May fund research which may involve the use of animals
- National Autistic Society - Does not conduct or fund animal research
- National Deaf Children's Society – Does not conduct or fund animal research, because it is not a research charity
- National Eczema Society – Has not made a statement
- National Eye Research Centre – Does conduct or fund animal research
- National Hereditary Breast Cancer Helpline – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- National Kidney Federation – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- National Osteoporosis Society – Does not conduct or fund animal research, but supports the position of the AMRC
- National Reye's Syndrome Foundation – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- National Society for Research into Allergy – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- The Neuro Foundation (formerly The Neurofibromatosis Association) – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Neuroblastoma Children's Cancer Alliance UK – Does conduct or fund animal research
- New Approaches to Cancer – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Newlife Foundation for Disabled Children (formerly Birth Defects Foundation) – Does conduct or fund animal research
- North Staffs Heart Committee – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- The Nutritional Cancer Therapy Trust – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- ORBIS UK – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Orchid – Does not conduct or fund animal research but have not ruled out doing so in the future
- Ovarian Cancer Action – Does conduct or fund animal research
- The Pain Relief Foundation – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Pancreatic Cancer Research Fund – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Pancreatic Cancer UK – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Parkinson's UK (formerly Parkinson's Disease Society) – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Pelican Cancer Foundation – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Penny Brohn Cancer Care (formerly Bristol Cancer Help Centre) – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Pink Ribbon Foundation – Does not conduct or fund animal research but they may make grants to organisations which Animal Aid has listed as those to boycott
- PKD Charity – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Plymouth and Cornwall Cancer Fund – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Prader-Willi Syndrome Association (UK) – Does not conduct or fund animal research but has not ruled out doing so in the future
- Primary Immunodeficiency Association – Does not conduct or fund animal research but have not ruled out doing so in the future
- Primrose Foundation – Has not made a statement
- Prostate Cancer UK (formerly The Prostate Cancer Charity) – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Prostate Cancer Research Centre – Does conduct or fund animal research
- The Psoriasis Association – Does conduct or fund animal research
- The PSP Association – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Psychiatry Research Trust – Has a policy of not supporting animal tests and ask its grant receivers not to, but cannot be 100% certain
- Pulmonary Hypertension Association – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Quest Cancer Research – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- RAFT – Has not made a statement but is a member of AMRC
- Raynaud's & Scleroderma Association – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Restricted Growth Association – To the best of its knowledge, does not conduct or fund animal research
- Rosemere Cancer Foundation – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Roy Castle Lung Cancer Foundation – Does not conduct or fund animal research but is a member of AMRC
- Royal Association for Deaf People – Has not made a statement
- Royal College of Psychiatrists – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Royal Hospital for Neuro-disability – Does not conduct or fund animal research but is a member of AMRC
- Royal National Institute of Blind People – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Run4Cancer – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- SADS UK – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Safer Medicines Trust – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- SANE – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Save the Children – Does conduct or fund animal research
- The Scoliosis Association (SAUK) – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- SCOPE – Does not conduct or fund animal research, because it is not a medical charity
- Scottish Spina Bifida Association – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- SENSE – Does not conduct or fund animal research but have not ruled out doing so in the future
- Shaw Trust – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Sickle Cell Society – Has not made a statement
- Sightsavers International – Does not conduct or fund animal research



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- Skin Cancer Research Fund – Does not conduct or fund animal research but have not ruled out doing so in the future
- Society for Mucopolysaccharide Diseases – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Society for the Protection of Unborn Children – Has not made a statement
- SPARKS – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Speakability (formerly Action for Dysphasic Adults) – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Spina Bifida Hydrocephalus Information Networking Equality (SHINE) (formerly Association for Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus (ASBAH) – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Spinal Injuries Association – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Spinal Research – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Stand Up To Cancer – Does conduct or fund animal research
- The Stroke Association – Does not conduct or fund animal research but has not ruled out doing so in the future and is a member of AMRC
- St Luke's Hospice – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- St Thomas' Lupus Trust – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- SUDEP Action – Does not have a policy, but have never funded or conducted research on animals
- Sue Ryder – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Susan Channon Breast Cancer Trust – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Symposium Mammographicum – Does not conduct or fund animal research, because it is not a research charity
- Target Ovarian Cancer – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Teenage Cancer Trust – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Terrence Higgins Trust (now incorporating CRUSAID) – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Tenovus – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Together Against Cancer – To the best of their knowledge, does not conduct or fund animal research
- Tommy's Campaign – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Tree of Hope – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Tuberous Sclerosis Association – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Values Into Action – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- The Vitiligo Society – As far as they are aware have never funded animal research
- Wellbeing of Women – Does conduct or fund animal research
- WellChild (formerly Children's Nationwide Medical Research Fund) – It is its current policy not to fund research involving the use of animals
- The Wellcome Trust – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Wessex Medical Research – Does conduct or fund animal research
- Womb Transplantation – Does conduct or fund animal research
- World Cancer Research Fund – Does not currently conduct or fund animal research but has not ruled out doing so in future, and is a member of AMRC
- Worldwide Cancer Research (formerly AICR) – Does conduct or fund animal research
- York Against Cancer – Does not conduct or fund animal research
- Yorkshire Cancer Research – Follows AMRC policy but not clear whether the charity actually carries out any animal research