

AMP Statement on Germany's Laboratory of Pharmacology and Toxicology

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Following the release of photos and videos reportedly taken at the German Laboratory of Pharmacology and Toxicology, Americans for Medical Progress supports a thorough investigation by authorities as to whether wrongdoing occurred at the company. If it is found that animals were mistreated, this is completely unacceptable and those responsible should be held accountable.

Medical advancements require the study of living systems - both animals and humans — to understand complex disease processes and provide assurances that newly-developed therapies are safe to use. This is why Americans for Medical Progress supports animal-based studies when they are necessary for biomedical progress. At the same time, we insist that animals involved in research are always treated with care, compassion and respect. The deliberate mistreatment of animals is abhorrent. It also violates the public trust, which is paramount for the continued support of health research advancements and health care.

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