

1 | **animal ethics**

1.1 | **what is the ethical issue?**

1.1.1 | **should other species be tested on / sacrificed on possibly dangerous products**

1.1.2 | **fundamentally, are animal lives worth less than human lives**

1.2 | **perspectives**

1.2.1 | **animal testing is often unethical: animals are not treated right and often die during failed attempts**

1.2.2 | **however, to push science forward, some ammount of testing is needed. Testing on humans seems worse than testing on animals.**

1.3 | **stakes**

1.3.1 | **larger corporations who are trying to get products out to market have the resources, scale, and incentive to use animal testing**

1.3.2 | **biodiversity is being harmed when some species are specifically targeted for testing**

1.3.3 | **animal testing allows new drugs / procedures to be tested before accidentally hurting humans in clinical trials**

1. can see long term / life-long effects because animal lives are shorter

2. however, 90% of trials that pass animal stages fail on humans, so does it really even work

1.3.4 | **consumer activism can disincentivise corporations from using non-essential animal testing (eg. cosmetic)**