



June 30, 2022

Kumble R. Subbaswamy
Chancellor
University of Massachusetts–Amherst

Via e-mail: chancellor@umass.edu

Dear Chancellor Subbaswamy:

PETA recently learned that effective June 2023, you will be retiring from your position as chancellor of the University of Massachusetts–Amherst (UMass). I'm writing in behalf of the marmoset monkeys imprisoned in Agnès Lacreuse's laboratory on your campus to urge you to take advantage of your remaining time as chancellor and do the right thing for them by ending her cruel menopause experiments.

During the decade of your tenure, UMass has purchased dozens of gentle monkeys from notorious corporations like [Worldwide Primates](#), which crams monkeys from its breeding compound in South Africa into tiny crates and ships them on cargo planes to the U.S. Their lives only get worse after they're trucked to your campus, where they're subjected to years of captivity, multiple invasive surgeries, hormone manipulation, frequent restraint, fluid restriction, sleep deprivation, and batteries of fear- and stress-inducing tests—before they're killed and dissected. This torment is an absurd attempt to study a human condition that marmoset monkeys don't even experience.

Despite all this suffering, these experiments have not yielded results that benefit human health in any way.

We strongly urge you to close this laboratory immediately and release the imprisoned monkeys to an accredited sanctuary. This is your opportunity to leave a legacy that confirms your stated commitment to “create a better, more just world” and puts UMass on a path to modern, human-relevant research.

Sincerely,

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