



Media Release

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Crowd funding launched to tell Australians primates are dying - right here.

A crowd-funding campaign has been launched by Humane Research Australia to raise funds for billboards telling Australians that primates are dying right here in cruel medical experiments.

The [Chuffed campaign](#) draws attention to [Ban Primate Experiments](#) – a website dedicated to informing the public about experiments on primates and seeking an end to their use in research.

“Hundreds of primates are being used in Australia every year in biomedical experiments and many more are housed in breeding facilities awaiting a similar fate. These primates – macaques, marmosets and baboons – are sourced from three government-funded, research-specific breeding colonies located within Australia.

Few Australians are even aware that their tax dollars are supporting this and HRA believes they should know. - **Helen Marston, CEO of Humane Research Australia.**

“As well as the unethical nature of using sentient and highly cognitive animals as research tools, reliance on data from animal experiments is dubious as they are insufficiently predictive of human outcomes. This in turn causes major concern for Australian health when we rely on these out-dated models for human ills”.

“Unless the public is aware of what is going on it will never be possible to have an open an honest debate.” **Helen Marston concluded.**

Donations toward the crowd funding can be made at <https://chuffed.org/project/ban-primate-experiments-billboards>

Further information about the use of primates in research can be found at www.BanPrimateExperiments.org.au.
