

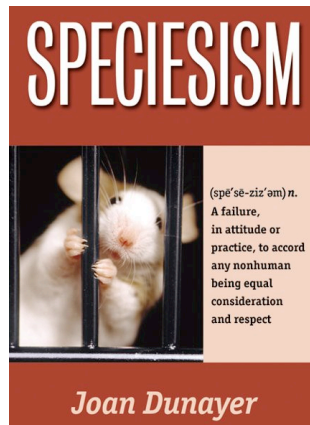
History of the use of Animals in Research: Modern Animal Rights movement

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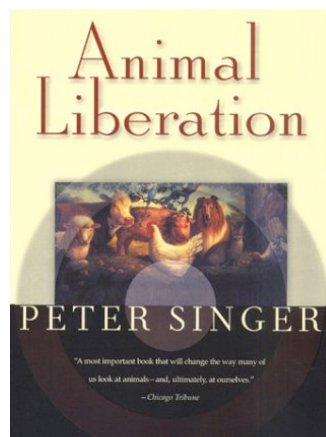
In 1975, Dr. Richard Ryder
published "*Victims of Science*"

- "Speciesism"
- Compared treatment of animals by humans to unjustified discrimination
- Similar to sexism or racism



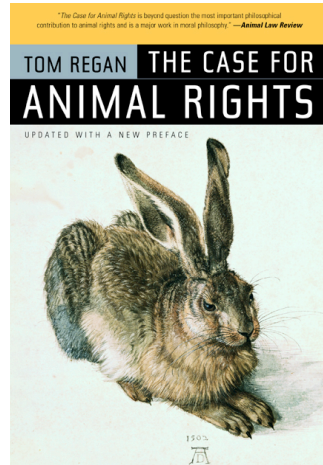
In 1975, *Animal Liberation* was
published by Peter Singer

- Utilitarian View
 - Suffering of animals should be given equal consideration to the suffering of humans.
 - The total benefits and resulting good should outweigh the total costs and suffering.



In 1983, Tom Regan published “The Case for Animal Rights”

- animals have certain inherent rights similar to those of humans.
- Did not directly promote equal rights for animals and humans,
- argued that the rights of animals should not be violated regardless of the good to humans and animals that may result from the work.
- Established basis for modern animal rights movement



Animal Welfare vs. “Animal Rights”

Animal welfare:

- traditional humane societies.
- proper care, treatment, and shelter of animals and for their appropriate uses.

Animal rights:

- generally animal rights activists.
- Believe that animals have intrinsic rights that are equal to human rights.
- animals should not be used for any human purposes

Animal Rights quotes

The life of an ant and that of my child should be granted equal consideration

~ Michael W. Fox, former vice president of the Humane Society of the United States



Animal Rights quotes

There is no rational basis for saying that a human being has special rights. A rat is a pig is a dog is a boy. They are all mammals.

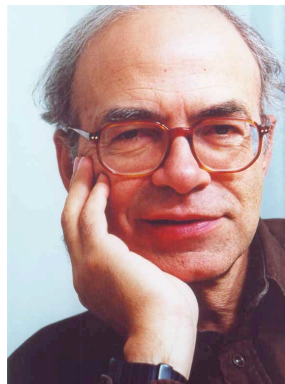
~ Ingrid Newkirk, co-founder and president of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA)



Animal Rights quotes

An animal experiment cannot be justifiable unless the experiment is so important that the use of a brain-damaged human would be justifiable.

~Peter Singer, philosopher often credited as the father of the animal rights movement.



Animal Welfare quotes

a human responsibility that encompasses all aspects of animal well-being, from proper housing and nutrition to preventive care, treatment of disease, and when necessary, humane euthanasia.

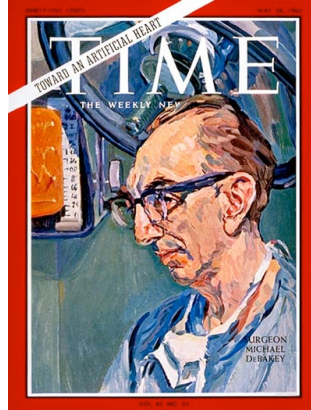
~American Veterinary Medical Association definition of animal welfare



Animal Welfare quotes

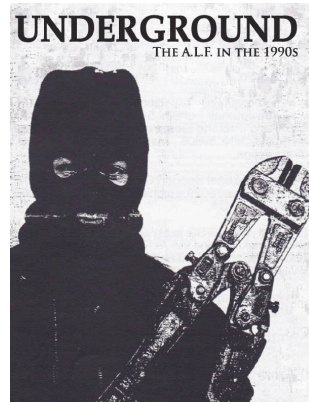
These scientists, veterinarians, physicians, surgeons and others who do research in animal laboratories are as much concerned about the care of their animals as anyone can be. Their respect for the dignity of life and compassion for the sick and disabled, in fact, is what motivated them to search for ways of relieving the pain and suffering caused by diseases.

~Michael DeBakey, cardiac surgeon and founder of the Foundation for Biomedical Research.



Animal Rights Activists

- Animal Liberation Front:
 - Classified by FBI as domestic terrorist organization
 - Laboratory break-ins
 - Stolen research animals
 - Destroyed scientific equipment and experimental data
 - Threatened researchers and families
- 2006 Animal Enterprise Terrorism Act
 - legal prohibition to damage or interfere with the operations of an animal enterprise.



Assignment

Animal Welfare and Animal Rights

In your discussion group:
Discuss the philosophical perspectives involved in comparing and contrasting the "animal welfare" and "animal rights" positions.



Readings

Chapter 3. Ethical issues raised by animal research. pp. 31 - 58

Chapter 14. Discussion of ethical issues. pp. 239 - 258.

Nuffield Council on Bioethics, (2005). *The Ethics of Research Involving Animals*.

http://www.nuffieldbioethics.org/go/ourwork/animalresearch/publication_178.html



Mr. Caudle reads the share list
Charles Keene ca. 1845

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