

**Question for written answer E-001722/2025
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Non-human primates used in experiments and the phasing out of animal testing

Non-human primates were involved in a total of 7 658 uses for animal tests in 2022 (up by 9 % since 2021), with France (4 147 uses) and Germany (2 204 uses) being the largest users.

We note with concern that France, Germany and – for the first time, in 2022 – Denmark are the only Member States that use baboons in experiments. In 2022, France reported 73 uses of baboons (an 83 % increase since 2021) while Germany and Denmark each reported 5 uses. France is also the only Member State that uses vervet monkeys, with 51 uses in 2022 (up by 1 600 % since 2021).¹

In view of the above:

1. Could the Commission explain what measures are being taken to encourage Member States to reduce and replace the use of non-human primates for testing?
2. Could the Commission explain why these species of primate continue to be used and what is being done to encourage France, Germany and Denmark to permanently phase out testing using these species?

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¹ https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/envdataportal/content/alures/section2_number-of-uses.html.