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carcinogens. (Furthermore, since *there is no restriction on the infliction of pain*, students often perform experiments involving the induction of cancer, use of chemicals at toxic levels, drugs producing pain or deformity, use of extreme temperatures, and electric shock.) *Lack of enforcement* of the good fair rules urging the use of microscopic animals, worms, and insects instead of vertebrate animals.

"Humanitarians must now focus their efforts on getting science fair officials to do away with these problem areas," said Dr. Orleans, a physiologist with the National Institutes of Health. Dr. Orleans visited the booths of all biological projects at the 1974 International Fair. She discovered that *guidelines for judges* issued by some fairs made no mention of existing animal regulations. As a result, exhibitors were not disqualified nor even penalized for ignoring them.

Nevertheless, some progress has been made. "I do think the dissemination of the forceful HSUS Guiding Principles has had an immense impact," Dr. Orleans said. "We have been able to convince thousands of biology teachers of the importance of the humane treatment of animals."

But, when 28 high school students are rewarded with prizes in a national science fair competition for projects that caused pain to animals, it is clear that humanitarians still have a great deal of educational work ahead of them.

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