Is Animal Testing Ethical?

Imagine children plagued with diseases such as the bubonic plague or cholera while their families are helpless. Imagine the hospitals filled to overflow with people gasping for air and doctors collapsing to the floor from exhaustion. This is what could happen if animal testing were to be banned.

First, animal lives are not as valuable as human lives. The tragedy of losing three rats to death is incomparable with the tragedy of losing three human lives. Animal testing can save millions, possibly billions, of people. Without it, those lives are at risk, and even survivors may suffer. When it comes to saving lives from deadly diseases, human lives must take precedence over animal lives.

Second, animal research is far quicker than waiting around for human volunteers. By that time, thousands could have died. Animal testing research allows scientists to act as fast as possible and make sure there are no additional losses.

Lastly, with no animal testing, even common diseases can become deadly. The common cold can kill people; without animal testing, it would be even worse. Animal testing is needed to make cures not only for common illnesses but also for lethal diseases like cancer.

In conclusion, animal testing should remain legal because it prioritizes human lives, provides quicker results than human trials, and helps cure preventable diseases. These reasons demonstrate why animal testing is crucial for human health and well-being.