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Dear Sirs:

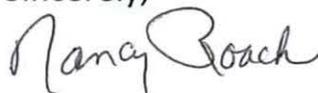
I strongly object to the NIH's proposal to rescind its moratorium on funding of research involving human animal chimeras. From what I have read on the subject, it would be grossly unethical research to manipulate part-human, part-animal beings. It is also my understanding that this would involve the use of human embryonic stem cell usage which I also feel raises unethical additional research, and is not acceptable.

I also object strongly to the NIH's apparent lack of consideration for the ethical issues implicated by this research. Indeed, the NIH pledged to "undertake a deliberative process to evaluate the state of the science in this area, *the ethical issues that should be considered*, and the relevant animal welfare concerns associated with these types of studies" when the moratorium was put in place in 2015. Yet, to date there is no evidence of any; discussion of the ethical issues involved in creating partly human animals.

I strongly urge you to maintain the current moratorium on funding research involving the creation and manipulation of human-animal chimeras.

Thank you for taking this time and considering my concerns.

Sincerely,



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