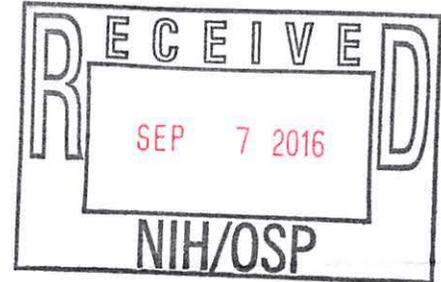


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To Whom This May Concern:

I strongly object to the NIH's proposal to rescind its moratorium on the funding of research involving human and animal chimeras.

I also object vigorously to the NIH's apparent lack of consideration for the ethical issues implicated in this research.

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

Chimeras belong in nightmares, mythology and science fiction, not in laboratories, and certainly not in laboratories funded in whole or part by the National Institutes of Health.

Sincerely,

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