

**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Please reject the lease for Science Corp.  
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From: Sarah-Jane Measor <[sjballet@everyactioncustom.com](mailto:sjballet@everyactioncustom.com)>  
Date: Oct 16, 2023 7:36 PM  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please reject the lease for Science Corp.  
To: Trish Spencer <[tspencer@alamedaca.gov](mailto:tspencer@alamedaca.gov)>  
Cc:

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Sincerely,  
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**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
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2101 Shoreline Dr Apt 245 Alameda, CA 94501-6203  
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Sincerely,  
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[lanacouts@gmail.com](mailto:lanacouts@gmail.com)

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cathie\_morgan@hotmail.com

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Sincerely,  
Marilyn Rothman  
617 Sandalwood Isle Alameda, CA 94501-5641  
mrothwoman@yahoo.com

**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Please reject the lease for Science Corp.  
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From: Julie Lowe <2missjulie@everyactioncustom.com>  
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Sincerely,  
Julie Lowe  
1506 Paru St Alameda, CA 94501-2588  
2missjulie@gmail.com



**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
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Linda Phillips Blue  
304 SANDERLING Ct Alameda, CA 94501  
[yes@lindablue.com](mailto:yes@lindablue.com)

**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
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Sincerely,  
Ms Arlene Johnson  
895 Lafayette St Alameda, CA 94501-4159  
a.johnson@ggsir.com

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Sincerely,  
Ms. Heidi Dietz  
310 Westline Dr Apt B309 Alameda, CA 94501-5910  
heidi310@yahoo.com

**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] No on Science Corporation  
**Date:** Monday, October 16, 2023 7:56:03 PM

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From: Lynn and Cindy Withrow-Jones <withrowjones@gmail.com>  
Date: Oct 16, 2023 12:29 PM  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] No on Science Corporation  
To: Trish Spencer <tspencer@alamedaca.gov>  
Cc:

Honorable Ms. Herrera Spencer,

Please vote no on the proposal regarding leasing land to Science Corporation. We don't support animal testing and don't believe that we should provide a haven for businesses that do so. Animal cruelty is not aligned with our city's values. If we are a sanctuary city for humans let us also be one for animals.

Thank you.

Lynn Jones & Cindy Withrow  
Registered Alameda Voters

**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Proposed animal lab  
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From: Janet Davis <straughie@comcast.net>  
Date: Oct 16, 2023 11:48 AM  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Proposed animal lab  
To: Trish Spencer <tspencer@alamedaca.gov>  
Cc:

## Proposed animal lab

Dear Councilmember Trish Herrera Spencer,

I am writing today in hope's that Alameda does not lease a building to Science Corp. Science Corp is a rival to Neuralink, and their proposed animal lab will be similar to the Neuralink lab, which does cruel experiments on Monkeys and rabbits. Despite some nice promises of how this type of research will benefit humans, the reality is much different. Below are links to two articles which explain the real motivations behind this type of brain research.

<https://cybernews.com/editorial/transhumanism-and-neuralink/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EI5gCERyZH8>

Much inevitable controversy will follow Science Corp and its animal lab, just as it did Neuralink. The head of Science Corp, Max Hodak, was head of Elon Musk's Neuralink and now he has started his own company. In case anyone thinks animal labs are "regulated" by the Animal Welfare Act, and therefore the animals are protected in some way, below are links to explain the entirely broken USDA inspection system. Harvard Law School filed a lawsuit last year against USDA.

<https://animal.law.harvard.edu/news-article/secret-inspection-policy/>

<https://www.the-scientist.com/news-opinion/lawsuit-alleges-usda-secretly-relaxed-animal-welfare-inspections-69889>

The sooner animals are no longer used in research the sooner "human relevant" research modalities will be used completely. Our health as a species, and the quality of scientific research, will greatly improve. I have included some links about the need for "human relevant" research modalities to predominate.

<https://commonslibrary.parliament.uk/research-briefings/cdp-2023-0153/>

<https://www.pcrm.org/ethical-science/animal-testing-and-alternatives/human-relevant-alternatives-to-animal-tests>

<https://www.pcrm.org/sites/default/files/2018-11/Human-Relevant-Methods-Infographic.pdf>

<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/31329258/>

I have also included a link to a statement by Dr. Jane Goodall in support of proposed bipartisan federal

legislation to move to non animal methods and thus increase the effectiveness of research. The current animal model is about liability and financial gain and there is little incentive to change.

<https://crueltyfreeinternational.org/latest-news-and-updates/dr-jane-goodall-joins-us-celebrating-introduction-hearts-act-advance-humane>

The sooner companies move away from the animal model the more safe and effective research will be. With a requirement to do research from the FDA, companies can be absolved from producing harmful drugs and devices that negatively effect human health. The defense is “we did the required animal tests”. The FDA also has new bipartisan supported legislation removing animal requirements.

<https://www.npr.org/2023/01/12/1148529799/fda-animal-testing-pharmaceuticals-drug-development#:~:text=A%20new%20U.S.%20law%20has,can%20be%20ineffective%20and%20expensive.>

Alamedans have shown we love our animals, and an animal lab would bring negative national attention and is not consistent with our distaste for animal cruelty.

Sincerely,

Janet Davis

Sent from my iPad

**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
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Date: Oct 16, 2023 10:53 AM  
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Sincerely,  
Ms. Susan Honey  
7062 Thornhill Dr Oakland, CA 94611-1342  
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Sincerely,  
Ms. Manasvi Khullar  
11740 San Pablo Ave El Cerrito, CA 94530-1769  
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Ms. Artemis Asproyerakas  
1322 W Ohio St Chicago, IL 60642-6456  
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Dr. PAMELA BUTLER  
382 Carrera Dr Mill Valley, CA 94941-3993  
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**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] VOTE NO to Science Corp.  
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From: Hannah Taylor <[hannahtaylor700@gmail.com](mailto:hannahtaylor700@gmail.com)>

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] VOTE NO to Science Corp.

To: Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft <[MEzzyAshcraft@alamedaca.gov](mailto:MEzzyAshcraft@alamedaca.gov)>, Tony Daysog  
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<[tjensen@alamedaca.gov](mailto:tjensen@alamedaca.gov)>, Trish Spencer <[tspencer@alamedaca.gov](mailto:tspencer@alamedaca.gov)>, Lara Weisiger  
<[lweisiger@alamedaca.gov](mailto:lweisiger@alamedaca.gov)>

Cc:

Hi Alameda City Council Members,

I am an Alameda resident and animal lover. If you too consider yourself an animal lover, I strongly urge you to vote AGAINST leasing a large city property at the naval base to Science Corp. (10/17 meeting; Agenda # 7A)

Per a Reuter's article of 12/5/22 an expert estimates that 1500 animals were killed including 280 sheep, pigs and monkeys at the hands of Science Corp from 2018 to 2022.

Unless you hate animals, voting no is a no-brainer.

Thank you,  
Hannah Taylor  
[hannahtaylor700@gmail.com](mailto:hannahtaylor700@gmail.com)

**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
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Sincerely,  
Ms Bianca Molgora  
3976 Folsom St San Francisco, CA 94110-6138  
[biancamsf@yahoo.com](mailto:biancamsf@yahoo.com)

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**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Please Vote No on the lease to Science Corp for the purpose of experiments on animals.  
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From: Susan Dunn <susanmdunn@yahoo.com>  
Date: Oct 15, 2023 4:18 PM  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please Vote No on the lease to Science Corp for the purpose of experiments on animals.  
To: CityCouncil-List <CITYCOUNCIL-List@alamedaca.gov>  
Cc:

Dear City Council,

:There is an experimentaal animal research firm slated to rent a large City Property here in Alameda. Hundreds of Monkeys, rabbits and rats will be used in their exploratory projects. As a concerned citizen of Alameda, I ask you to reject this lease and to vote No. At next Tuesday's 10/17City Council meeting :Agenda# 7A , the City Council will vote whether or not to lease a large City property at the base to Science Corp. The CEO and President of Science Corp, Max Hodak, was the former president and co-founder of the Neuralink Corp. The Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine( PCRM) ( over 900,00 members) under Hodak 's tenure as President, found evidence of serious animal abuse of their Rhesus Macaque monkeys. Additionally, 3 Neuralink employees stated there was ongoing animal abuse at the company. Some of these monkeys and other animals suffered significant pain as a result from botched experiments and were eventually killed. Per a Reuter's article of 12/5 22 an expert estimates that 1500 animals were killed including 280 sheep, pigs and monkeys at Neuralink from 2018 to 2022. Hodak quit Neuralink in 2021 to found Science Corp. Hodak has written an online article about his new company entitled "A Science Corporation" It seems clear from his article that brain exploration will be the primary goal, whether its by photonics or some other means. Hodak , writes that he envisions a New World where we may be "...Adding new senses...." [to our already 5 senses] Perhaps this sounds like interesting experimentation, until you think of the heavy suffering and cost to many, many innocent animals that will be extremely confined and subjected for a long time to this experimentation and then will be killed. Hodak writes ominously [ that the experiments]" ....will not be non invasive".

Please note that Jeff and Susan Dunn, from 36 Sunny Cove Circle in Alameda, are opposed to this lease.

Thank You,

**Susan and Jeff Dunn**  
**Members, SFBATCC**  
San Francisco Bay Area Theater Critics Circle  
**Reviewers: [AisleSeatReview.com](#)**  
**susanmdunn@yahoo.com**  
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[ssalino@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ssalino@sbcglobal.net)

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**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Vote NO on Science Corp. Lease!  
**Date:** Monday, October 16, 2023 7:59:30 PM

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Date: Oct 15, 2023 3:08 PM  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vote NO on Science Corp. Lease!  
To: Trish Spencer <tspencer@alamedaca.gov>  
Cc:

The CEO and President of Science Corp, Max Hodak, was the former president and co-founder of the Neuralink Corp and was found by the Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine, under Hodak 's tenure as President, to have permitted serious animal abuse of their Rhesus Macaque monkeys. Additionally, three Neuralink employees stated there was ongoing animal abuse at the company. Some of the monkeys and other animals at that facility suffered significant pain as a result of botched experiments and were eventually killed. Per a Reuter's article of 12/5/22 an expert estimates that 1500 animals were killed at Neuralink including 280 sheep, pigs and monkeys.

Hodak quit Neuralink in 2021 to found Science Corp. and has written an online article about his new company entitled "A Science Corporation". It is clear from his article that brain exploration will be the primary form of research whether by photonics or some other means. This is not kind of facility the citizens of Alameda want here on the island. Vote NO on leasing to Science CORP!

Eloise Hill



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621 18th St Oakland, CA 94612-1324  
[allisonleigh70@mac.com](mailto:allisonleigh70@mac.com)

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1680 Arbutus Dr Walnut Creek, CA 94595-1706  
[heather.blomfield.lee@gmail.com](mailto:heather.blomfield.lee@gmail.com)

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Date: Oct 15, 2023 10:25 AM  
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Sincerely,  
Michael Colbruno  
19 Moss Ave Oakland, CA 94610-1314  
[Michael.Colbruno@gmail.com](mailto:Michael.Colbruno@gmail.com)

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Date: Oct 15, 2023 10:18 AM  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please reject the lease for science Corp  
To: Trish Spencer <tspencer@alamedaca.gov>  
Cc:

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**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Please reject the lease for Science Corp.  
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12 Rally Ct Fairfax, CA 94930-1320  
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Miss Patricia Santos  
[Landonchas@Yahoo.com](mailto:Landonchas@Yahoo.com) San Leandro, CA 94577  
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1218 Queens Rd Berkeley, CA 94708-2112  
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Devin McCormick  
1701 Brandee Ln Santa Rosa, CA 95403-8674  
dangmouse@yahoo.com

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1705 Valparaiso Ave Menlo Park, CA 94025-5560  
cjbdtaggart@gmail.com

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**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Please reject the lease for Science Corp.  
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1425 Visitacion Ave San Francisco, CA 94134-2756  
[winevitable@sbcglobal.net](mailto:winevitable@sbcglobal.net)

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PO Box 2043 El Cerrito, CA 94530-5043  
[judithrachelleg@gmail.com](mailto:judithrachelleg@gmail.com)



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2741 Bush St San Francisco, CA 94115-2927  
heyjudenf@gmail.com

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1650 California St San Francisco, CA 94109-4627  
johanna1115@yahoo.com

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Miss Ye Shen  
112 Cityview Dr Daly City, CA 94014-3446  
yeshen2000@yahoo.com

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360 Vallejo Dr Apt 107 Millbrae, CA 94030-2878  
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510 41st St Oakland, CA 94609-2412  
dinaannaslobodnink@gmail.com

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**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Please reject the lease for Science Corp.  
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Clinical Professor & US Veteran Oakland, CA 94618  
[rob@daroff.com](mailto:rob@daroff.com)

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146 Ardmore Rd Kensington, CA 94707-1336  
[jackzee@gmail.com](mailto:jackzee@gmail.com)



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Date: Oct 14, 2023 11:25 AM  
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Ms. Shekinah Shephard  
2101 Shoreline Dr Apt 498 Alameda, CA 94501-6210  
[shekinah@namastecoaching.net](mailto:shekinah@namastecoaching.net)

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Date: Oct 14, 2023 10:31 AM  
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Mr. Robin Perry  
4077 Waterhouse Rd Oakland, CA 94602-1853  
peerlessstages@aol.com

**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
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**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Vote on Science Corp. rental/lease  
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From: Carole Lohr <calohrsr@icloud.com>  
Date: Oct 14, 2023 10:24 AM  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Vote on Science Corp. rental/lease  
To: Trish Spencer <tspencer@alamedaca.gov>  
Cc:

Dear Ms. Spencer,

I am writing to ask you to vote "No" on approval of lease of city owned property to Science Corp. This is because of my understanding of their misuse of animals used in research.

Thank you for this consideration.

Carole Lohr  
1102 Marianas Ln  
Alameda, Ca 94502

Sent from my iPad

**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Please reject the proposed lease for Science Corp.  
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From: Ryan Merkley <RMerkley@pcrm.org>  
Date: Oct 14, 2023 10:03 AM  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please reject the proposed lease for Science Corp.  
To: Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft <MEzzyAshcraft@alamedaca.gov>, Tony Daysog <TDaysog@alamedaca.gov>, Tracy Jensen <tjensen@alamedaca.gov>, Trish Spencer <tspencer@alamedaca.gov>, Malia Vella <MVella@alamedaca.gov>  
Cc:

October 14, 2023

The Honorable Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft  
Mayor  
City of Alameda  
2263 Santa Clara Ave.  
Alameda, CA 94501

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**RE: Please reject the proposed lease for Science Corp.**

Dear Mayor Ashcraft and Honorable Members of the Alameda City Council:

I am writing on behalf of the Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine, a national nonprofit with 17,000 physician members and 900,000 total supporters, to urge you to reject the proposed lease for the medical device company Science Corp. on city property and to pursue a different tenant—one whose use of public land will benefit the community.

**Science Corp.'s CEO Has a History of Using Monkeys in Debilitating, Deadly Experiments**

Max Hodak, the founder and chief executive officer (CEO) of Science Corp., was the co-founder and, until May 2021, president of the brain-computer interface company Neuralink. Hodak started Neuralink with Elon Musk, and the company's experiments on monkeys at the University of California, Davis, from 2017 to 2020 became the source of public outcry when they were revealed by the Physicians Committee last year. Public records show that, during Hodak's leadership at Neuralink, monkeys subjected to invasive brain experiments suffered seizures, paralysis, bloody diarrhea, chronic infections, internal bleeding, and death. The animals also suffered severe psychological distress, demonstrated by frequent hair-pulling and self-harm.

On at least two occasions, Neuralink's lead neurosurgeon failed to follow the company's own research protocols when he used a toxic adhesive to close gaps in monkeys' skulls. One of those incidents caused a monkey, known as "[Animal 21](#)," to suffer from a lack of coordination and balance, partial paralysis in both legs, and such severe vomiting that she developed open sores in her

esophagus. Staff noted she was “gasping/retching” and “collapse[d] from exhaustion/fatigue.” When they finally euthanized her, they found that blood had built up on the surface of her brain due to a “subdural hemorrhage.”

You can find all publicly released records of the monkeys used during Hodak’s 2017-2020 Neuralink tenure on [our website](#).

The troubling details of Hodak’s past work were detailed in a September 2023 WIRED exposé titled [\*The Gruesome Story of How Neuralink’s Monkeys Actually Died\*](#). The article details the story of a 6-year-old female rhesus macaque known only as “[Animal 15](#)”:

Days after her implant surgery, she began to press her head against the floor for no apparent reason; a symptom of pain or infection, the records say. Staff observed that though she was uncomfortable, picking and pulling at her implant until it bled, she would often lie at the foot of her cage and spend time holding hands with her roommate.

Animal 15 began to lose coordination, and staff observed that she would shake uncontrollably when she saw lab workers. Her condition deteriorated for months until the staff finally euthanized her. A necropsy report indicates that she had bleeding in her brain and that the Neuralink implants left parts of her cerebral cortex “focally tattered.”

In December 2022, Reuters [reported](#) that Neuralink was “under federal investigation for potential animal-welfare violations amid internal staff complaints that its animal testing is being rushed, causing needless suffering and death”—including incidents that took place during Hodak’s leadership. One such incident, which appears to have taken place in 2021 prior to Hodak’s departure, was as follows:

The mistakes leading to unnecessary animal deaths included one instance in 2021, when 25 out of 60 pigs in a study had devices that were the wrong size implanted in their heads, an error that could have been avoided with more preparation, according to a person with knowledge of the situation and company documents and communications reviewed by Reuters.

The mistake raised alarms among Neuralink’s researchers. In May 2021, Viktor Kharazia, a scientist, wrote to colleagues that the mistake could be a “red flag” to FDA reviewers of the study, which the company planned to submit as part of its application to begin human trials. His colleagues agreed, and the experiment was repeated with 36 sheep, according to the person with knowledge of the situation. All the animals, both the pigs and the sheep, were killed after the procedures, the person said.

Due to his wealth and notoriety, Musk has received much of the public attention regarding Neuralink’s failures, but Hodak was co-leading the company at the time of these incidents. Now, according to [public filings](#), Hodak wants to use public property to conduct vision experiments on mice, rabbits, and “non-ape primates” (the latter of which presumably means *monkeys* since apes, such as chimpanzees, are no longer used in biomedical experiments in the United States).

**Federal Oversight of Animal Experimentation at Alameda Point Would be Weak and Poorly Enforced**

Despite its name, the federal Animal Welfare Act allows all forms of animal experiments—including those that inflict pain. The law—primarily a husbandry statute that regulates the size of cages, cleanliness, food, and water—covers fewer than five percent of animals used in laboratories. The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), which is supposed to enforce the law, was cited by its [own inspector general](#) for unjustifiably closing investigations involving animal deaths and serious repeat violations and for unnecessarily reducing fines by an average of 86%. And USDA’s oversight appears to be getting even weaker. In 2022, Harvard Law School [sued](#) USDA for “offloading the burden of inspecting animal research sites to a private third party, resulting in a system that the lawsuit describes as largely self-policing and less rigorous.”

In addition, USDA has a well-documented history of creating policies that wipe violations from publicly available records. One such policy allowed Neuralink to face no repercussions for twice failing to follow its own research protocols, as described above. As reported by [WIRED](#), one of those failures, “regulators later acknowledged, was a violation of the U.S. Animal Welfare Act .... There would be no consequences, however.”

[Public filings](#) related to the proposed lease for Science Corp. state that the company holds “permits and licenses from, and is annually inspected and reviewed by...[the] United States National Institute [sic] of Health and Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee.” This is confusing and partially untrue. First, under federal law each research facility must appoint its own institutional animal care and use committee. This committee’s work constitutes self-regulation, not independent governmental oversight. In addition, if a company using animals registers with the National Institutes of Health (NIH), the agency does not inspect the company—the agency merely requires the company to maintain a document called an “Animal Welfare Assurance.” But Science Corp. is not listed in the [NIH database](#) of “Institutions with a PHS Approved Animal Welfare Assurance.” Thus, there appears to be no oversight of the company by NIH.

Even if Science Corp. were registered with NIH, the agency’s oversight of the conduct of animal experiments mostly takes the form of written recommendations, as opposed to fines or other punishments—even in cases of animal deaths or severe negligence. NIH does not conduct routine animal welfare inspections and would likely never visit the Alameda Point site to ensure compliance.

Although Science Corp. may have an internal institutional animal care and use committee, the committee likely provides little in the way of oversight. Such committees are designed to facilitate animal experiments and therefore are [often stacked](#) with animal experimenters. At private companies, significant conflicts of interest among committee members are unavoidable. A May 2023 [Reuters report](#) on Neuralink’s internal committee found that it was “filled...with company insiders who may stand to benefit financially.” The article continued, “Putting employees on such panels poses a particular problem at startups such as Neuralink because they tend to focus on a single breakthrough product and commonly reward employees with volatile company shares.” (Just like Neuralink, Science Corp.’s work focuses on a single “breakthrough” product.) Thus, members of the committees have little incentive to potentially slow down animal experiments by asking questions or raising concerns. The article quoted Duke University neuroscientist and physician Dr. Miguel Nicolelis, who stated, “It’s an obvious conflict of interest.”

## **There Is No Need to Use Animals in Vision Research**

Implanted devices like the one being developed by Science Corp. come with a myriad of problems, including difficulty of repair and a high potential for severe medical complications. In comparison, noninvasive treatments for vision loss minimize such risks. Ultrasound stimulation of the primary visual cortex has [shown promise](#) in human patients without “any adverse effects” for participants. A [2020 review](#) of noninvasive methods for vision recovery using electrical stimulation found

“conclusive evidence” that this method could be a viable treatment. Similarly, a [2021 study](#) found improvements using noninvasive electrical brain stimulation in patients who had partially lost vision following strokes. Even stem cell therapies for retinal degeneration can be developed without the use of animals—using human-derived stem cells.

The failings of the use of animals in many areas of health research are well-documented. A [2014 analysis](#) from Yale University School of Public Health epidemiologist Dr. Michael Bracken and others questioned whether animal experimentation is properly based on evidence. He wrote:

The current situation is unethical. **Poorly designed studies and lack of methodological rigour in preclinical research may result in expensive but ultimately fruitless clinical trials that needlessly expose humans to potentially harmful drugs or may result in other potentially beneficial therapies being withheld.** Moreover, if poorly conducted studies produce unreliable findings, any suffering endured by animals loses its moral justification because their use cannot possibly contribute towards clinical benefit. (emphasis added)

The analysis concluded that, due to the continued failures by researchers to conduct rigorous studies and by the studies to predict outcomes in humans, “the public’s continuing endorsement and funding of preclinical animal research seems misplaced.”

In 2012, Dr. John Ioannidis of Stanford University [wrote](#) that it is “nearly impossible to rely on most animal data to predict whether or not an intervention will have a favourable clinical benefit-risk ratio in human subjects.”

Human populations have diverse biological and environmental features that impact health and disease and cannot be modeled in animals. Drs. Pandora Pound and Merel Ritskes-Hoitinga [argued](#) in 2018 in the *Journal of Translational Medicine* that poor validity of animal experiments cannot be overcome and that research should “focus instead on human-relevant research methods and technologies.”

Increasingly, researchers are moving away from using animals for testing drugs and developing treatments. In 2022, the U.S. Congress passed legislation that many interpret to mean the FDA [no longer must require](#) the use of animals for preclinical drug testing. And more human-relevant *in vitro* models using cells from human organs and tissues are proving to effectively mimic the responses found in the human body.

Considering the public’s [significant moral opposition](#) to the use of animals in experimentation, local governments should not encourage the practice. Instead, public funding and support should be directed to organizations, companies, and scientists working to overcome the failings of animal “models” and develop methods that humanize and modernize research.

### **Please Reject the Proposed Lease for Science Corp.**

The City of Alameda can do much better when finding a tenant for the space at Alameda Point. That area should be a place for the public to use and enjoy, not for conducting painful, deadly, and scientifically unnecessary experiments on animals.

We respectfully request that you reject the proposed lease for Science Corp. and find a different tenant for the public space.

Thank you for considering this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "R Merkley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "R" and a clear, legible "Merkley".

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[askalice@pacbell.net](mailto:askalice@pacbell.net)

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Cc:

> Good Evening Councilwoman Spencer -

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> I implore you to reject this plan. Hodak has been involved in conducting painful and deadly experiments on monkeys and is linked with Elon Musk's notorious brain experiments. Federal officials have been asked to investigate the deaths of monkeys who were subject to Musk's experiments.

> Please do not allow our beautiful Alameda city to get involved in outdated cruel animal experiments. Modern science is progressing, albeit slowly, to non-animal testing methods. Please support this progress by rejecting this lease.

> Thank you for your consideration

> Geralyn Gulseth

> 110 Lagunaria Lane  
Alameda

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**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
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[sjkoen@yahoo.com](mailto:sjkoen@yahoo.com)

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Ms. Lorien Smyer  
5923 Tehama Ave Richmond, CA 94804-5047  
[yenooc@gmail.com](mailto:yenooc@gmail.com)

**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
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Ms. Monique Hopkins  
3850 San Pablo Ave Apt 318 Emeryville, CA 94608-3857  
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tteraso@yahoo.com

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462 Centre Ct Alameda, CA 94502-6558  
[annpeacewalker@gmail.com](mailto:annpeacewalker@gmail.com)

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dr Linda Savage  
1511 136th Ave San Leandro, CA 94578-1640  
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10 Driftwood Trl Half Moon Bay, CA 94019-2349  
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Sincerely,

Andrea Szeto

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Moreover, allowing animal torture in Alameda would tarnish our city's reputation. Have we become so soulless and money-grubbing that we can't do business with ethical people and companies instead? Allowing Science Corp. to torture animals in Alameda would make us a target for millions of activists who care deeply about animal welfare. Animals can't speak up for themselves, so caring people have to speak up on their behalf.

Please don't allow Science Corp. to torture animals in Alameda!

Kindest regards,  
Jacqueline Barden

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**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Concern over Proposed Lease Expansion to Science Corp - City Council Agenda 10/17/23 - Item 7B  
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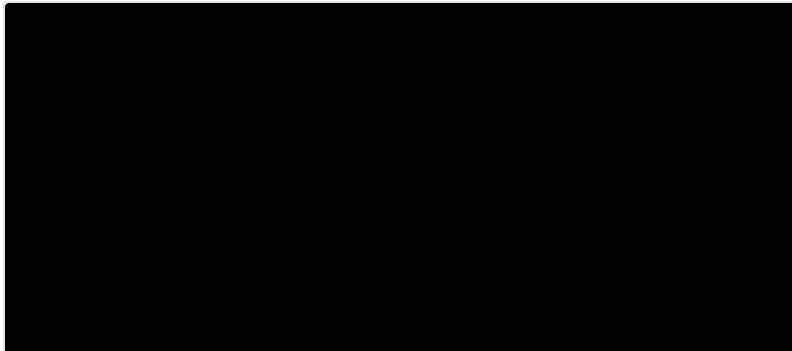
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Cc:

Hello Alameda Elected Officials,

I am writing about upcoming agenda item 7B on your 10/17/23 meeting and wish to express my grave concerns over the proposed lease to Science Corp., a company founded by Max Hodak, which is focused on developing an implantable device for the brain. Hodak co-founded Neuralink with Elon Musk, and **under their leadership, used monkeys in invasive brain experiments in which the monkeys experienced [seizures, paralysis, chronic infections, internal bleeding](#), and even death as noted in the following article:**



### The Gruesome Story of How Neuralink's Monkeys Actually Died

Condé Nast

Elon Musk says no primates died as a result of Neuralink's implants. A WIRED investigation now reveals the grisly...

Hodak is now hoping to expand his company's experiments on monkeys and other animals on public land. **I urge you to please decline this lease. There are many other positive uses for this public good. The public should not be leasing property to, coordinating with or doing business in any way with entities that abuse animals. Thank you for listening and for your thoughtful consideration in opposition to this lease.**

**Sincerely,**

**Susan McCutchan  
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**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
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[meera\\_prahlad@yahoo.com](mailto:meera_prahlad@yahoo.com)

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206 Compton Cir Apt A San Ramon, CA 94583-1683  
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2324 14th Ave San Francisco, CA 94116-2517  
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sue\_rd\_badger@yahoo.com

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**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
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N A San Francisco, CA 94102  
[fumi\\_p\\_l@yahoo.co.jp](mailto:fumi_p_l@yahoo.co.jp)

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900 Madison St Albany, CA 94706-2025  
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12 Rally Ct Fairfax, CA 94930-1320  
eatplants@earthlink.net



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**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
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[malih2000@yahoo.com](mailto:malih2000@yahoo.com)

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[rogers@countyconnection.com](mailto:rogers@countyconnection.com)

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[eliza.m.hook@gmail.com](mailto:eliza.m.hook@gmail.com)

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20107 Sapphire St Castro Valley, CA 94546-4727  
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[shelleyabbate56@gmail.com](mailto:shelleyabbate56@gmail.com)

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jbert@LMI.net

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2056 Ascot Dr Apt 3 Moraga, CA 94556-2248  
[siwamura@hawaii.edu](mailto:siwamura@hawaii.edu)

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**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
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[annenb@alumni.iwu.edu](mailto:annenb@alumni.iwu.edu)

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Eclipse Diamond  
1201 S Main St Apt 235 Milpitas, CA 95035-8060  
LadyCEclipse@Gmail.com

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12489 Lakeview Dr Clearlake Oaks, CA 95423  
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**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] NO Monkey torture in Alameda!!!  
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Date: Oct 13, 2023 12:47 PM  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] NO Monkey torture in Alameda!!!  
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Cc:

**I am OPPOSED to this project and will be actively against it and anyone who votes for it, if it passes.**

**Monkeys used in invasive brain experiments experienced [seizures, paralysis, chronic infections, internal bleeding](#), and even death.**

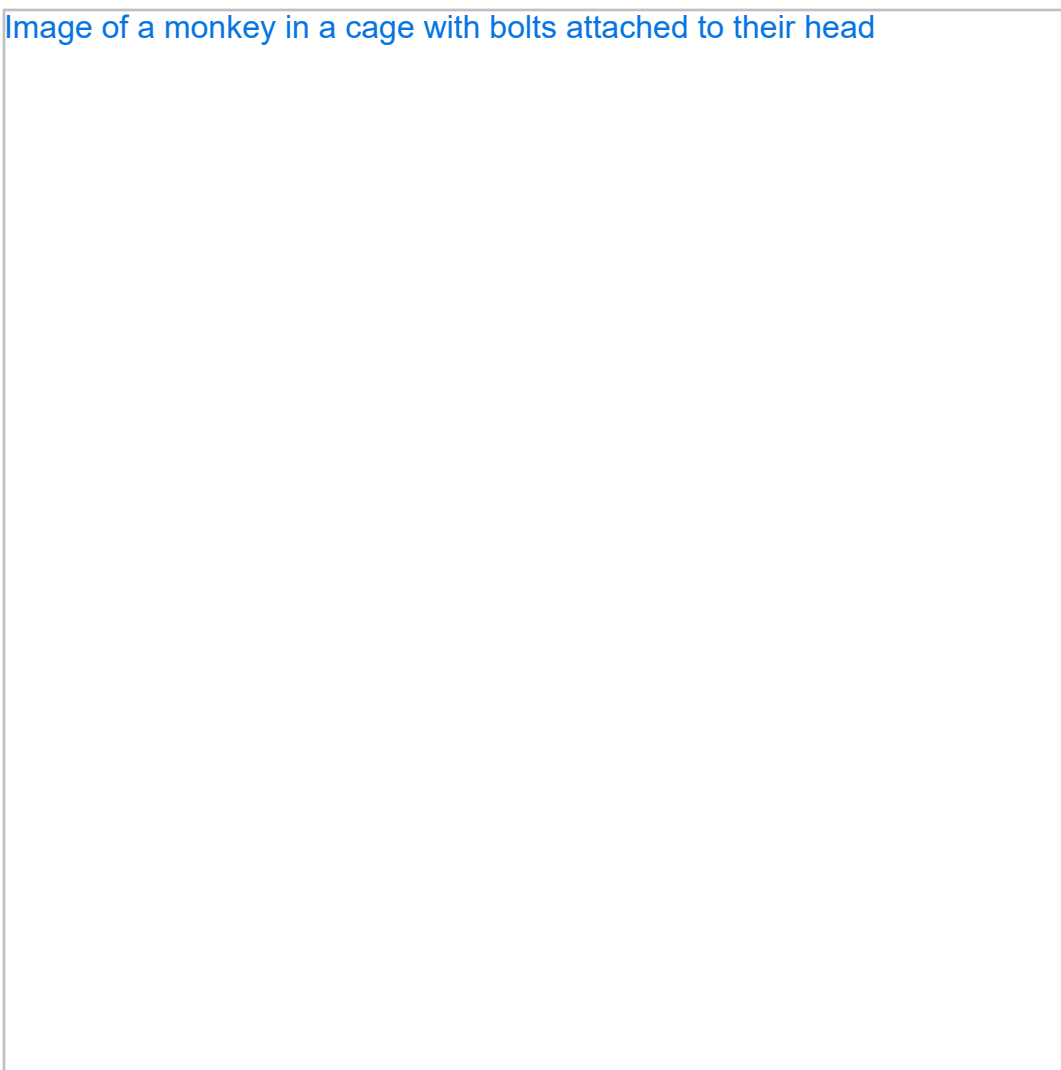
**Thank you for being HUMANE in Alameda!!!**

**Holden Hume**

**415/269-3231**

**437 Elwood Ave, Oakland, CA 94610**

Image of a monkey in a cage with bolts attached to their head



**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
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1919 Alameda De Las Pulgas Apt 146 San Mateo, CA 94403-1256  
toniamore618@gmail.com

**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
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Ms. Jill Fraser  
80 Eddystone Ct Redwood City, CA 94065-1234  
[jill.fraser@jillmilan.com](mailto:jill.fraser@jillmilan.com)

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Ms. Lydia Clifton  
3250 Hollis St Unit 211 Oakland, CA 94608-4160  
[anpeople@whidbey.com](mailto:anpeople@whidbey.com)



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30 Villanova Ln Oakland, CA 94611-1166  
vasumurti@netscape.net

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Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,  
Emily Schmidt  
1415 Webster St Alameda, CA 94501-5097  
eschmidt@pcrm.org

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**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Please reject the lease for Science Corp.  
**Date:** Monday, October 16, 2023 8:58:03 PM

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Date: Oct 16, 2023 8:37 PM  
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1412 Saint Charles St Apt C Alameda, CA 94501-7452  
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**To:** [Jennifer Ott](#); [Yibin Shen](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)  
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From: Max Hodak <maxh@science.xyz>

Date: Oct 16, 2023 8:25 PM

Subject: [EXTERNAL] A letter from Science Corp

To: Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft <MEzzyAshcraft@alamedaca.gov>, Tony Daysog <TDaysog@alamedaca.gov>, Tracy Jensen <tjensen@alamedaca.gov>, Trish Spencer <tspencer@alamedaca.gov>, Malia Vella <MVella@alamedaca.gov>

Cc:

Dear Alameda City Council,

At Science, we are developing advanced medical devices for serious unmet medical needs. Our first program is the Science Eye retinal prosthesis for patients who suffer from profound blindness due to rod-cone dystrophies such as retinitis pigmentosa and dry macular degeneration. These patients watch their vision dwindle over years until only spots of light are left, which today is completely irreversible.

There have been prior commercial attempts at visual prostheses, but none with the potential to achieve single-neuron resolution, which is necessary to restore high-resolution vision to the brain. We hope to offer patients who have spent many years in darkness the ability to see their childrens' faces again, or the independence to walk across town on their own to buy coffee.

Our therapies, alongside every other medical device and drug from pacemakers to paxlovid, require animal research as mandated by the FDA and regulated by the USDA. While recent legislation allows the FDA to consider evidence other than animal studies, FDA reviewers and consultants have significant discretion in what they ask for, and they have told us through formal feedback that they require animal studies in order to seek approval for a first-in-human clinical trial in the US.

The FDA Modernization Act cites a range of new tools, including induced pluripotent stem cells, artificial intelligence, and organoid technologies as alternatives to animal studies. We use all of these, but unfortunately they are only a partial substitute. This is fundamentally a scientific technical limitation: in an ideal world no animal testing would be required, but today there is no other source of the critical safety and efficacy data used to justify risking a human patient, requirements imposed by federal regulators. Personally, I believe there are often opportunities that make sense to go into human patients earlier than we do today, and would love to discuss FDA reform with anyone who will hear me, but on our path to reaching patients today this is not our call to make.

The species we use and the number of each is based on a dialog with those regulators. For example, whether we can use only rabbits or if some primate studies will be required is an active topic of discussion between our regulatory team and the FDA. If primate studies are required, it is possible we could do them elsewhere than Alameda Point.

With the complexity of our studies, it is not feasible to outsource them. Our vertical integration, where our electrical engineers are only a few steps from our surgeons and our stem cell biologists, is a key element of why we have been able to move as fast as we have in our two years of existence. Dividing the company would result in higher costs and longer timelines to reach patients, potentially even lowering the chance it reaches them at all.



The medicines we develop involve gene and cell therapies, and if they reach patients will be among the most complex pieces of biotechnology to ever reach the clinic. The assertions by PCRM that there are alternatives which don't require testing, such as focused ultrasound or non-invasive electrical stimulation are not rooted in reality. If there were a non-invasive, wearable device that could be built to restore vision to patients, believe me, we would be building that instead. I have a family history of retinitis pigmentosa and grew up around it. It is hurtful for these groups to simply hand-wave away potential progress citing other technologies they do not understand which do not in fact work in the way they are suggesting.

As for the Neuralink allegations, I really cannot speak for them, as I am still under NDA from my time there. But I will say the recent pressure campaign coverage is a heavy mischaracterization of the facts. I know the Neuralink animal care team cares deeply about animal welfare and follows standards far in excess of traditional guidelines. Not many companies try to retire animals to sanctuary, but Neuralink has invested in doing just that when appropriate. In response to PCRM's campaign, they have written a handful of articles providing more context on PCRM's claims. You can find those articles here:

- <https://neuralink.com/blog/neuralink-s-commitment-to-animal-welfare/>
- <https://neuralink.com/blog/championing-the-3-rs/>
- <https://neuralink.com/blog/husbandry-refinement/>
- <https://neuralink.com/blog/environmental-enrichment/>
- <https://neuralink.com/blog/the-role-of-the-institutional-animal-care-and-use-committee/>

Further, per public information, all of the records cited by PCRM are from the California National Primate Research Center at UC Davis under protocols approved by their Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee. All of that work was reviewed and monitored by a panel of UC Davis faculty [per field standards](#). Further, the 2021 pig study they reference happened after I had left the company, and I had no part in its design or implementation; all I know about it is from news articles.

At Science we are developing very different technology than Neuralink, and accordingly the species we have to use are different. Regardless, we commit to following the same high standards as evidenced in those blog posts, and doing what we can to give our research animals exceptional housing conditions and empower our vet med staff to provide the best possible care. All of this is regulated by the US Department of Agriculture, whose reports are public records, and who make unannounced inspections at least once a year in addition to responding to complaints.

The Science Eye is the first in a range of devices we plan to announce over the coming years, each focused on a different critical unmet medical need. More is possible than many believe today, and I am confident that the coming years are going to be surprising. We feel a deep moral obligation to bring these innovations to patients who can benefit from them the most.

Due to the nature of our operations, it is difficult to keep moving the company every few years as we outgrow facilities. Animal research is only a small part of what we do: the rest of the company needs highly-rated cleanrooms and extensive technical infrastructure. Moving all of this is extremely disruptive and complex. Our goal is to put down roots and spend the next several decades investing in our community and growing to be valuable members of the Alameda Point community. I have spent several

years searching the Bay Area for this home, and we have no runner up. I am convinced that Alameda Point will be a highlight of the whole Bay Area by the end of this decade. We would love to be part of that as we work towards bringing these important therapies to patients.

If you have any questions, I can be flexible at your convenience to discuss further.

Thank you for your consideration,

Max Hodak  
Science Corporation

**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
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**From:** [Donna Fletcher](#)  
**To:** [Jennifer Ott](#); [Lara Weisiger](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Tracy Jensen](#); [Trish Spencer](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Item 7-B Approval of lease for Science Corporation  
**Date:** Monday, October 16, 2023 10:12:44 PM

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Dear Mayor and members of the Council,

Please deny leasing City property to Science Corporation for animal research and experimentation!

This company's abusive practices are really a form of physical torture in the name of science. This type of operation does not represent Alameda's values and should not be supported by the City! Making a place for it on City-owned land is essentially condoning and endorsing it.

We have a choice! Please vote NO on the lease to Science Corporation!

Sincerely,  
Donna and Peter Fletcher  
112 Centre Court  
Alameda

**From:** [Scott Kottmer](#)  
**To:** [CityCouncil-List](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Science Corporation's Lease  
**Date:** Monday, October 16, 2023 10:22:33 PM

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Hi! My name is Scott Kottmer, and I work as an engineer at Science. I'm writing to express my support for the Science Corporation's lease for Building 11. My great uncle used to work as a mechanic when it was the naval air station (attached his picture if you're curious). As an Alameda resident, I would be honored to live and work in the same space.

Thanks!

**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd:Please reject the lease for Science Corp.  
**Date:** Monday, October 16, 2023 11:31:09 PM

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**From:** [Alamedahouse Freeman](#)  
**To:** [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Tracy Jensen](#); [Trish Spencer](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Item 7B Lease for Building 11 with Science Corp  
**Date:** Monday, October 16, 2023 10:42:00 PM

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Dear Mayor Ashcraft, Vice Mayor Daysog, and Councilmembers Vella, Spencer, and Jensen;

I am writing to urge you to vote no on the ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease for Building 11 with Science Corp.

Alameda has always been a city that valued animals and has great respect for them. The need for research on any live animal has been reduced to almost unnecessary in the modern science world. To invite a corporation that continues to do such research to do business in Alameda is against our respect for the animal world. Even if this corporations claims that they will not be doing live animal research in Alameda, that fact that they do so any where would mean that they could advance to doing so once they have a lease for the building in Alameda.

Alameda does not need to do business with such a corporation and I request that you vote no on the request for the lease.

Respectfully,

Dorothy Freeman

CC; City Clerk Weisiger

**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Please reject the lease for Science Corp.  
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**From:** [Reyla Graber](#)  
**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Fw: CC Meeting Tuesday Agenda Item #7A: Vote on leasing City property to Science Corp.  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 17, 2023 5:14:12 AM  
**Attachments:** [A Science corporation.docx](#)  
[Dec 5.Reuters Neuralink animal abuse](#)

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Dear Lara,  
Please include my opposition email (below) in your file. Its to the Mayor  
M Ashcraft.  
thank you Reyla G.

Dear Mayor Marilyn Ashcraft,  
I'm writing to ask you not to approve leasing our City Building to Science Corp, an  
animal research firm. Science Corp will be doing research on many, many monkeys  
rabbits etc. (And add pigs and sheep later!)

You may remember that about 15 years ago, an animal research firm, Covance with  
many allegations of abuse attached to it, applied to the HB Business Park. Covance  
intended to do research on sheep and pigs and cats. There was upswelling of  
opposition from Alameda residents and from outside of Alameda including the East  
Bay and Marin.

The Mayor at that time was Ralph Appezato, bless him.  
At the last moment, Ralph "pulled" the Covance item from the Agenda and told  
everyone that they could go home! That was a huge relief for many, many residents.

From everything I've read about Science Corp and its President, Science Corp will be  
engaged primarily in brain exploration and experimentation. The experiments will be  
invasive and the animals will suffer and eventually be killed. They live an awful life of  
confinement before their final demise.

Although, Max Hodak, the President, implies they're hoping to help  
blindness, if you read his own words in his article entitled "A Science Corporation"  
the goal is not about blindness. Instead, it's the stuff of science fiction and making  
human beings smarter and with capabilities we don't now have. Can you imagine all  
the animals they will go through and dispose of in this very questionable pursuit?

Alameda used to be known as "Mayberry". Well, maybe that title has faded a bit with  
increased crime etc. but that doesn't mean we've lost our values: Kindness in the  
community towards people -and toward animals-  
is still very important and needs to be supported.

Also, now at the present time we don't have any monkey research firms in Alameda  
However, if the City allows this in, then very likely more such firms are sure to come.

Would we really want that as our moniker? "Alameda,  
animal research mecca of the East Bay- or Bay Area."?

Please Mayor Ashcraft, I'm asking you not to support this lease to Science  
Corporation.

Below is a link to Mr. Hodak's writings; there is a second link with a disturbing  
Reuters article about alledged animal abuse at Neuralink Corp. when Mr. Hodak was  
President of that company and in charge.

Thank you for your consideration to this important matter.

Reyla Graber

**From:** [Karan Malhotra](#)  
**To:** [CityCouncil-List](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] The role of Building 11 in advancing Science's mission  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 17, 2023 9:10:22 AM

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Dear Council Members & Alameda community,

My name is Karan Malhotra & I lead the finance function at Science. I am writing to you today in support of the work that Science is doing & the role Building 11 can play in its success.

Initially, I had mixed feelings about joining Science & it was for one reason - - animals. This became much more personal to me when around that same time my dog's health was rapidly declining & I lost him.

I was inspired by the company's mission of restoring vision through unprecedented technology. And yet, as an animal lover it was tough for me to reconcile with the use of animals in its research. It was two things that solidified my decision:

- During my interview Max mentioned that Science is not in the business of maximizing the use of animals. I interpreted this unsolicited response to mean that the company does not take its animals for granted & takes great care of them. I can confidently say today that this is definitely the case. We have a world class animal care team in place whose affection for animals shows in the work they do in taking excellent care of them

- I wanted to be part of an organization that is going to make the world a better place & so my partner & I decided to move from LA to be part of Science & Alameda

I also volunteer to help the visually impaired through an app called 'Be My Eyes' with routine tasks that most of us wouldn't give a second thought to. The people I help get really excited & light up when I share with them what Science is working on. It gives them realistic hope that our technology is one day going to help them.

One last thing - - many of our employees live in Alameda & we want to expand the life sciences community in this beautiful & welcoming city. Building 11 is not merely an infrastructural upgrade, it's the next step in realizing our vision. I sincerely hope that you feel the same & will consider joining Science in making history.

Thank you.

**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Please reject the lease for Science Corp.  
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Cc:

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Sincerely,  
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[cmcvettech@gmail.com](mailto:cmcvettech@gmail.com)

**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Please reject the lease for Science Corp.  
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**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Please reject proposal to lease public land to animal testing company Science Corp.  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 17, 2023 9:30:14 AM  
**Attachments:** [image001.png](#)  
[Letter from PETA to Alameda City Council, Oct 17, 2023.pdf](#)

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From: "Dr. Alka Chandna" <AlkaC@peta.org>  
Date: Oct 17, 2023 9:04 AM  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please reject proposal to lease public land to animal testing company Science Corp.  
To: Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft <MEzzyAshcraft@alamedaca.gov>, Tony Daysog <TDaysog@alamedaca.gov>, Tracy Jensen <tjensen@alamedaca.gov>, Trish Spencer <tspencer@alamedaca.gov>, Malia Vella <MVella@alamedaca.gov>  
Cc:

October 17, 2023

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Mayor  
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Alameda, CA 94510

Via e-mail: [mezzyashcraft@alamedaca.gov](mailto:mezzyashcraft@alamedaca.gov); [tdaysog@alamedaca.gov](mailto:tdaysog@alamedaca.gov); [tjensen@alamedaca.gov](mailto:tjensen@alamedaca.gov); [tspencer@alamedaca.gov](mailto:tspencer@alamedaca.gov); [mvella@alamedaca.gov](mailto:mvella@alamedaca.gov)

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Sincerely,

Alka Chandna

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**From:** [Josh Cook](#)  
**To:** [CityCouncil-List](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Proposal Support - Science Corp Expansion to Alameda Naval Base  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 17, 2023 10:53:31 AM

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To the City Council,

My name is Josh Cook, and I am an employee of Science Corporation. I am reaching out to express our earnest interest in establishing our new office within the old Hangar 11 on the former Naval Base. I am writing to express my support for our company's application for the lease and to provide insights into the invaluable contributions our presence promises for the local community and beyond.

At Science, we specialize in developing innovative medical devices, focusing primarily on transformative technologies that restore and enhance capabilities individuals may have lost or found diminished, such as vision. Our work stands at the forefront of biotechnological advancement and has been recognized for its significant impact on improving quality of life.

Establishing an office in Alameda represents an opportunity for a partnership in growth. Our presence would mean:

**Economic Development:** Our company anticipates participating in the local economy through happy hours, dinners, team building events, and other celebrations requiring a venue space and party favors, thereby creating job opportunities and fostering economic stimulation within the city. Our investment in the local economy goes hand in hand with our commitment to corporate responsibility.

**Community Engagement and Partnerships:** Science prides itself on community integration. We plan to collaborate with local institutions for shared knowledge, research, development, and providing potential educational opportunities. We recognize there are a number of cutting-edge Biotech companies on the island and surrounding Bay Area communities and hope to create a space and community that can continue to be recognized as a center of gravity for this type of work.

As a veteran, I am also very excited about the prospect of contributing to the revitalization of a former military installation. I truly love seeing some of the new businesses and spaces being opened around the base and believe that finding new use cases for older buildings, instead of building new ones elsewhere, is a great way to make use of existing space and bring some unique character to the city.

We truly believe in the city's potential to become a beacon of technological advancement and scientific innovation. With your support, we are eager to continue building our presence in this vibrant community and continuing to contribute to its economic vitality and well-being.

Thank you for your time and consideration!

Sincerely,

Josh Cook

Science Corp

**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Letter in Support of Science Corp.  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 17, 2023 11:33:39 AM  
**Attachments:** [NABR Letter to Alameda re Science Corp.pdf](#)

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From: Matthew Bailey <[mbailey@nabr.org](mailto:mbailey@nabr.org)>  
Date: Oct 17, 2023 11:18 AM  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Letter in Support of Science Corp.  
To: Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft <[MEzzyAshcraft@alamedaca.gov](mailto:MEzzyAshcraft@alamedaca.gov)>, Tony Daysog <[TDaysog@alamedaca.gov](mailto:TDaysog@alamedaca.gov)>, Tracy Jensen <[tjensen@alamedaca.gov](mailto:tjensen@alamedaca.gov)>, Trish Spencer <[tspencer@alamedaca.gov](mailto:tspencer@alamedaca.gov)>, Malia Vella <[MVella@alamedaca.gov](mailto:MVella@alamedaca.gov)>  
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Sincerely,  
Rocky Chau  
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[aznpeep5@yahoo.com](mailto:aznpeep5@yahoo.com)

**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Animal welfare and Science Corp  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 17, 2023 11:33:52 AM

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From: Tracy S <[tracydsoriano@gmail.com](mailto:tracydsoriano@gmail.com)>  
Date: Oct 17, 2023 11:08 AM  
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Animal welfare and Science Corp  
To: Trish Spencer <[tspencer@alamedaca.gov](mailto:tspencer@alamedaca.gov)>  
Cc:

I'm writing to ask you to vote against granting a lease of City property to Science Corp. They experiment on animals. Alameda should not be directly complicit in the torture of animals. It is under your control and conscience to NOT lease city owned property to a company that openly performs these type of experiments.

Thanks for your consideration.

Tracy Soriano  
Alameda resident

**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
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Sincerely,  
Valerie Hirbod  
515 Centre Ct Alameda, CA 94502-6559  
teamval@valeriehirbod.com

**From:** [Reyla Graber](#)  
**To:** [Marilyn Ezzy Ashcraft](#); [Tony Daysog](#); [Malia Vella](#); [Trish Spencer](#); [Tracy Jensen](#); [Lara Weisiger](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Financial News Press Release Regarding Alameda and Science Corp  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 17, 2023 11:42:02 AM  
**Attachments:** [finance.yahoo.com.webloc](#)

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Dear Mayor and Council Members:

For your information, please read this press release.( link below)  
Alameda appears to be making some national news.

Again,please reject this 10 year lease to Science Corp.

Question :is this City building even in fit condition for these animals  
to live in 24 hours per day. Because it appears that Science Corp, is not investing in  
any infrastructure remodeling. This is just a lease.

Reyla Graber

**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
**To:** [Lara Weisiger](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: [EXTERNAL] Please reject the proposed lease for Science Corp.  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 17, 2023 2:29:56 PM

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Re: Please reject the proposed lease for Science Corp.

Dear Mayor Ashcraft and Honorable Members of the Alameda City Council:

A national medical ethics group is urging the Alameda City Council to reject a proposed lease for a medical device company whose CEO previously oversaw debilitating, deadly experiments on monkeys. The company, Science Corp., has applied to occupy Building 11 at Alameda Point, public property owned by the city, where it plans to conduct experiments on primates, rabbits, and mice. Its CEO, Max Hodak, was the co-founder and, until May 2021, president of the brain-computer interface company Neuralink. Hodak started Neuralink with Elon Musk, and the company's experiments on monkeys at the University of California, Davis, from 2017 to 2020 caused public outcry when they were revealed last year by the nonprofit Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine. In a letter sent Saturday, the Physicians Committee asked the city council to "pursue a different tenant—one whose use of public land will benefit the community." The council will vote on the proposal during a public meeting on Oct. 17 at 7:00 p.m.

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On at least two occasions, Neuralink's lead neurosurgeon failed to follow the company's own research protocols when he used a toxic adhesive to close gaps in monkeys' skulls. One of those incidents caused a monkey, known as "Animal 21," to suffer from a lack of coordination and balance, partial paralysis in both legs, and such severe vomiting that she developed open sores in her esophagus. Staff noted she was "gasping/retching" and "collapse[d] from exhaustion/fatigue." When Neuralink finally euthanized her, staff found that blood had built up on the surface of her brain due to a "subdural hemorrhage."

In December 2022, Reuters reported that Neuralink was "under federal investigation for potential animal-welfare violations amid internal staff complaints that its animal testing is being rushed, causing needless suffering and death"—including incidents that took place during Hodak's leadership.

Local governments should not hand over public land to companies likely to engage in unethical, scientifically questionable animal experiments. If Alameda city leaders want to support research, they should encourage the use of



human-relevant methods that can benefit patients.

In its letter to the city council, the Physicians Committee pointed out that implanted devices like the one being developed by Science Corp. come with a myriad of problems, including difficulty of repair and a high potential for severe medical complications. In comparison, noninvasive treatments for vision loss minimize such risks. The letter emphasized that ultrasound stimulation of the primary visual cortex has shown promise in human patients without “any adverse effects” for participants. In addition, a 2020 review of noninvasive methods for vision recovery using electrical stimulation found “conclusive evidence” that this method could be a viable treatment. Even stem cell therapies for retinal degeneration can be developed without the use of animals.

Full letter: <https://perm.widen.net/s/gjhwcvpnb/physicians-committee-letter-to-alameda-city-council-re-science-corp-2023-10-14>

Yours sincerely,  
Robert E. Rutkowski

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Sincerely,  
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**From:** [Alameda Citizens Task Force](#)  
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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] City Council 19/17/2023 Agenda Item 7-B Science Corp Lease  
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# ACT

## Alameda Citizens Task Force

Vigilance, Truth, Civility

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Dear Mayor Ashcraft, Vice Mayor Daysog and Council Members Vella, Spencer & Jensen:

We strongly oppose the lease of Building 11 at Alameda Point to Science Corp. It is clear from the letter you have received from the Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine that it would be highly inappropriate to have this company operating on property owned by the City. A short excerpt from that letter serves as a summary of the more detailed information that follows it.

*"Max Hodak, the founder and chief executive officer (CEO) of Science Corp., was the co-founder and, until May 2021, president of the brain-computer interface company Neuralink. Hodak started Neuralink with Elon Musk, and the company's experiments on monkeys at the University of California, Davis, from 2017 to 2020 became the source of public outcry when they were revealed by the Physicians Committee last year. Public records show that, during Hodak's leadership at Neuralink, monkeys subjected to invasive brain experiments suffered seizures, paralysis, bloody diarrhea, chronic infections, internal bleeding, and death. The animals also suffered severe psychological distress, demonstrated by frequent hair-pulling and self-harm."*

We are distressed that the Base Use Development Department is recommending this lease, when just a modicum of internet research reveals the highly objectionable nature of the same.

Sincerely,

ACT Board of Directors

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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Science Corp project  
To: Trish Spencer <[tspencer@alamedaca.gov](mailto:tspencer@alamedaca.gov)>  
Cc:

Trish,

I would like to urge you to vote No for that Science Corp project at Building 11 on the Base. This is not a good fit for our values here in Alameda. We want to protect all animals that will be injured that this company has done in the past.

Thanks for your consideration.

Harry Hartman  
Humane Society of Alameda  
(510) 604-6893

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Trish Spencer](#)  
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Sincerely,  
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Sincerely,  
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**Date:** Tuesday, October 17, 2023 4:59:41 PM  
**Attachments:** [A Science corporation.docx](#)  
[A Science corporation.docx](#)  
[Dec 5.Reuters Neuralink animal abuse](#)

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Please vote NO on this horrific company renting from the city of Alameda. I do not want an animal killing laboratory in my city! DISGUSTING!!!

Sent from my iPad

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Dear Friends and Neighbors--

**Can you please send a very brief email to the City Council saying vote No.** For further info please read my original letter with attachments and photo way below.

**Here is a sample letter for your consideration:**

"Dear Honorable Mayor and City Council Members,  
I'm writing to you to ask all of you to vote down(no) on leasing our city building at the base to Science Corp., an animal research firm.

They will be using primates, rabbits etc.. Later, maybe pigs and

sheep.

The animals will be terribly confined and have invasive products cut inside inside their brains and on their heads. They will suffer. Later they will all be killed.

And sadly, statistics show that **90% of human trials fail after animal testing.**

So, animal testing appears dubious at best regarding results and safety. On the brighter side, more and more alternative methods to animal testing are being found.

Back To Science Corp: The firm is intent on power games: making human brains faster and smarter and add more capabilities like something out of science fiction.

If Science corp says they have more altruistic aims, then please read

Science Corp's President Max Hodak's article in the attachment( below.)

It is clear that the goal is brain experimentation and exploration.

In Alameda we greatly value kindness towards the community and towards our animals. **As we have no monkey research yet in Alameda, please don't start it now. Once started, more firms will want to come.**

Once again, I'm asking you to please vote NO.

Sincerely

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Original letter sent to you Friday night:

Important: Concerned Residents

There is a bizarre sounding animal research firm slated to rent a large City Property! Hundreds of monkeys, rabbits and rodents will be used in their experiments.

At next Tuesday's City Council meeting :Agenda# 7A

the City Council will vote whether to approve the lease. It will take the vote of 4 CCmembers because this is City property.

The CEO and President of Science Corp is Max Hodak who was the recent president and co-founder the Neuralink Corp.

The Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine( PCRM) ( over 900,00 members) under Hodak 's tenure as President,

found evidence of long time animal abuse of their Rhesus Macaque monkeys. Elon Musk was also involved with this Company.

Additionally, 3 Neuralink employees stated there was ongoing animal abuse at the company. Many of these monkeys suffered grave pain as a result and were eventually killed. Per a Reuter's article of 12/5 22 an expert estimates that 1500 animals were killed including 280 sheep, pigs and monkeys at Neuralink from 2018 to 2022. ( the link to article is below)

Hodak quit Neuralink in 2021 to found Science Corp. Hodak has written an article

about his new company entitled "Science Corp." ( link is below). It seems clear from his article etc that brain experimentation and exploration will be the primary goal, whether its by photonics or some other means. Hodak , writes that he envisions a New World where we may be "...Adding new senses...." [to our already 5 senses] Perhaps this sounds like interesting experimentation, until you think of the heavy suffering and cost to many, many innocent animals that will be extremely confined and subjected for a long time to this experimentation and then will be killed. Hodak writes ominously [ that the experiments]" ....will not be non invasive".

**PLEASE write/ email the City Council n before next Tuesday and ask them to vote NO. ( email addresses are below.)**

**ALSO it's really important for concerned residents come to City Hall next Tuesday10/17, at 7:00 pm and tell the City Council in person to vote NO.** You can also join the City Website to participate on Zoom, but coming in person at City Hall is still most persuasive. (Corner of Oak/Santa Clara)

In general, Alamedans greatly value kindness within our community . We highly value kind acts on behalf of people --and also for our animals!

Surely most Alamedans do not want our City Property to be used for science fiction "Brave New World " brain experimentation on monkeys, rabbits and rats.

Please tell the City Council to vote " NO". We don't want this or need this, particularly on a City property.

Thank you, Janet Davis, Anda Bockis, Joe Cloren, Reyla Graber, Pat Gannon, Carole Lohr, and many more Alameda residents.

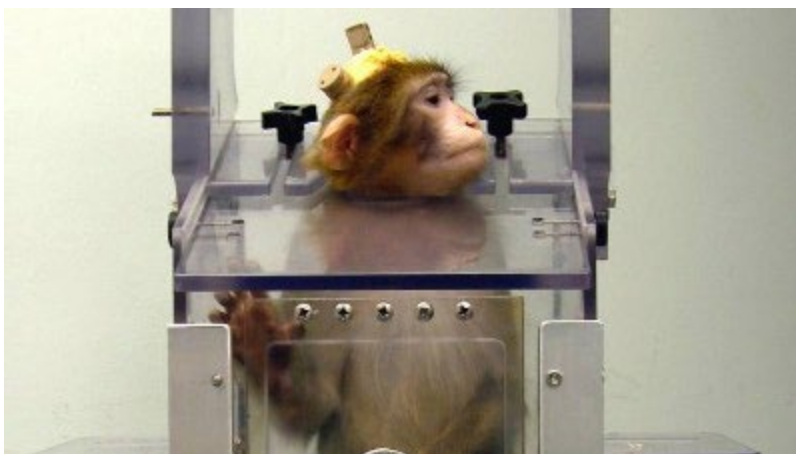


Photo entitled: Elon Musk's Disturbing Show and  
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**City Council**

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**Links to Articles:**

Max Hodak" A Science Corporation" Reuters 12/5/22  
Neuralink Article

<Animal 15 Picture 1\_0.jpg>

# A Science corporation

September 2021

Long story short, a couple friends and I — our unifying trait being persistent optimism that with the best possible tools and minimal red tape, more things are possible than most people realize — have started a new company, which we've named [Science](#).

I explain a bit about what we're up to below, and if these kinds of challenges are interesting to you, [please consider coming to work with us!](#)

It's pretty shocking how much better life science tools have become over the last decade or so. I mean seriously, just look at this:

[Fly Hemibrain Overview, HHMI & Google](#)

[Multi-beam FIB-SEMs](#) basically enable direct digitization of blocks of matter at single-digit nanometer resolution, enabling us to “scan” tissue and automatically reconstruct the dense anatomy using deep learning. We've gone from microarrays to [spatial transcriptomics](#). We can [directly visualize](#) single Cas9 molecules cutting a molecule of DNA using high speed atomic force microscopy. More scalably, [single-molecule localization microscopy](#) using off-the-shelf [superresolution confocals](#) is now becoming widely available. In 2000 we had GCaMP, and now we have compartment-localizable [ultrafast voltage indicators](#) and [light beads microscopy](#).

Consider the following interpretation of the dichotomy between *science* and *engineering*: if you can directly see and manipulate the things you're dealing with, you're doing engineering, and if not — you need to ask clever indirect questions to get at what you're really interested in — you're doing science.

Because of this intervening cleverness, science is “hard” and often advances serendipitously, but improving technology has steadily transferred more and more content from the realm of science to the realm of engineering, just as similar progress produced a conveyor belt from natural philosophy to modern science during the Enlightenment.

Probably to no great surprise, “Track 1” at Science is Neural Engineering. Specifically, our initial focus is on the cranial nerves, using some exciting ideas we think are promising that, while definitely known in the literature, don't seem to have caught on yet. This scope reduction yields a much simpler set of problems to solve, as the general problem of BCI is tough and bordered on all sides by imposing physics barriers, while still enabling some pretty dramatic products.

To understand this plan, it's important to see the divergence in the goals of neuroscience overall and the sub-field of brain-machine interfaces in particular.

At the highest level, neuroscience is concerned with understanding the structure and function of brains: what they are and how they work. In this pursuit, you find yourself asking questions along the lines of “how does this particular circuit in the hippocampus underlie the formation of memories?” or “how do varying levels of protein expression in the accumbens relate to addictive behaviors?” or the

like. To answer these questions, you need to get *inside* the brain to where these phenomena are happening and there's no way around it — peering into the brain is in some sense the whole game.

Naturally, the field of neuroscience has produced a wide variety of tools for observing things happening inside the brain. This is where brain-machine interfacing comes in: if we can record or drive neural activity, maybe we can connect the brain to external systems. But the goal of brain-machine interfacing isn't *necessarily* to understand the brain, at least not any more than required to add I/O channels. Brain-machine interfacing inherited a roadmap from neuroscience, because the field came out of neuroscience, but ultimately these are different endeavors.

While it's extraordinarily difficult to reach into the brain, all of the information that flows in or out goes through only a handful of nerves in the head and spine. These form the complete “API” of the body: if you can connect to them with single-unit resolution — still extremely difficult — you can provide exactly the same senses and motor surface that your nose, eyes, ears, hands and so on do.

Crucially, you don't need to place anything into the parenchyma, the sensitive bulk tissue, to do this. It's not “non-invasive,” but there are early products on this road that should have a safety profile approaching true mass-market consumer devices, and others may be able to do some truly wild things for patients with few alternatives. The future isn't better smartphones or AR glasses: it's making the sensorium itself [directly programmable](#), and maybe even adding new senses entirely.

To be clear, these are aspirations. I'm not saying we have some secret device behind the curtain you should be hyped about. What I am saying is that this is technically possible to do, and we should do it. We've raised the money to get started — actually significantly more than what's been publicly reported, but that's the wrong thing to focus on — and now we have to go make things. We believe we have a clear view through to a first big defining product, built on an overlooked technical approach that hopefully we can deliver to patients in a timely manner.

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A Science corporation

September 2021

Long story short, a couple friends and I — our unifying trait being persistent optimism that with the best possible tools and minimal red tape, more things are possible than most people realize — have started a new company, which we've named Science.

I explain a bit about what we're up to below, and if these kinds of challenges are interesting to you, please consider coming to work with us!

It's pretty shocking how much better life science tools have become over the last decade or so. I mean seriously, just look at this:

Fly Hemibrain Overview, HHMI & Google

Multi-beam FIB-SEMs basically enable direct digitization of blocks of matter at single-digit nanometer resolution, enabling us to “scan” tissue and automatically reconstruct the dense anatomy using deep learning. We've gone from microarrays to spatial transcriptomics. We can directly visualize single Cas9 molecules cutting a molecule of DNA using high speed atomic force microscopy. More scalably, single-molecule localization microscopy using off-the-shelf superresolution confocals is now becoming widely available. In 2000 we had GCaMP, and now we have compartment-localizable ultrafast voltage indicators and light beads microscopy.

Consider the following interpretation of the dichotomy between science and engineering: if you can directly see and manipulate the things you're dealing with, you're doing engineering, and if not — you need to ask clever indirect questions to get at what you're really interested in — you're doing science.

Because of this intervening cleverness, science is “hard” and often advances serendipitously, but improving technology has steadily transferred more and more content from the realm of science to the realm of engineering, just as similar progress produced a conveyor belt from natural philosophy to modern science during the Enlightenment.

Probably to no great surprise, “Track 1” at Science is Neural Engineering. Specifically, our initial focus is on the cranial nerves, using some exciting ideas we think are promising that, while definitely known in the literature, don't seem to have caught on yet. This scope reduction yields a much simpler set of problems to solve, as the general problem of BCI is tough and bordered on all sides by imposing physics barriers, while still enabling some pretty dramatic products.

To understand this plan, it's important to see the divergence in the goals of neuroscience overall and the sub-field of brain-machine interfaces in particular.

At the highest level, neuroscience is concerned with understanding the structure and function of brains: what they are and how they work. In this pursuit, you find yourself asking questions along the lines of “how does this particular circuit in the hippocampus underlie the formation of

memories?” or “how do varying levels of protein expression in the accumbens relate to addictive behaviors?” or the like. To answer these questions, you need to get inside the brain to where these phenomena are happening and there’s no way around it — peering into the brain is in some sense the whole game.

Naturally, the field of neuroscience has produced a wide variety of tools for observing things happening inside the brain. This is where brain-machine interfacing comes in: if we can record or drive neural activity, maybe we can connect the brain to external systems. But the goal of brain-machine interfacing isn’t necessarily to understand the brain, at least not any more than required to add I/O channels. Brain-machine interfacing inherited a roadmap from neuroscience, because the field came out of neuroscience, but ultimately these are different endeavors.

While it’s extraordinarily difficult to reach into the brain, all of the information that flows in or out goes through only a handful of nerves in the head and spine. These form the complete “API” of the body: if you can connect to them with single-unit resolution — still extremely difficult — you can provide exactly the same senses and motor surface that your nose, eyes, ears, hands and so on do.

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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] NO on Science Corp.  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 17, 2023 5:01:34 PM

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Dear Honorable Mayor and City Council Members,

I'm writing to you to ask all of you to vote down(no) on leasing our city building at the base to Science Corp., an animal research firm. They will be using primates, rabbits etc.. Later, maybe pigs and sheep. The animals will be terribly confined and have invasive products cut inside inside their brains and on their heads.They will suffer. Later they will all be killed.

And sadly, statistics show that **90% of human trials fail after animal testing.**

So, animal testing appears dubious at best regarding results and safety. On the brighter side, more and more alternative methods to animal testing are being found.

Back To Science Corp: The firm is intent on power games: making human brains faster and smarter and add more capabilities like something out of science fiction.

If Science corp says they have more altruistic aims, then please read Science Corp's President Max Hodak's article in the attachment( below.)

It is clear that the goal is brain experimentation and exploration. In Alameda we greatly value kindness towards the community and towards our animals. **As we have no monkey research yet in Alameda, please don't start it now. Once started, more firms will want to come.**

Once again, I'm asking you to please vote NO.

Sincerely,

Donna and David Little



**VOTE NO on 7-B: Lease for Science Corp.**

Dear Mayor Ashcraft and Members of the Alameda City Council,

The East Bay Animal PAC urges you to REJECT the proposed lease for Science Corp. (Item 7-B).

Science Corp. was founded and is run by Max Hodak, who co-founded and served as president of Elon Musk's company Neuralink which subjected monkeys to invasive brain experiments, causing seizures, paralysis, chronic infections, internal bleeding, and death.

The details of Hodak's past work were detailed in a recent WIRED exposé titled "[The Gruesome Story of How Neuralink's Monkeys Actually Died](#)." According to the article, "UC Davis veterinary records cited by the Physicians Committee—which WIRED also obtained through a subsequent California public records request—chronicle a battery of complications that developed following procedures involving electrodes being surgically implanted into monkeys' brains. The complications include bloody diarrhea, partial paralysis, and cerebral edema, a condition colloquially known as "brain swelling."

The City of Alameda should not provide a lease of public land to anyone with a history of questionable and unethical practices related to primate testing.

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Thank you,  
Michael Colbruno  
Chair, East Bay Animal PAC.