

**Question for written answer E-004858/2021
to the Commission**
Rule 138
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Subject: Use of dogs in experiments in the EU in 2018

Statistics for 2018 on the use of animals for scientific purposes, which were released on 15 July 2021 by the Directorate-General for the Environment, show that dogs were used a total of 25 722 times in 2018, up by 20 % since 2017. 108 tests were conducted on dogs to satisfy requirements for plant protection product legislation and 36 tests on dogs were carried out to satisfy requirements for industrial chemicals legislation.

1. Can the Commission explain why dogs were used in relation to chemicals legislation?
2. What is it doing about the use of dogs (or any another species, as animals were used a total of 69 424 times for satisfying non-EU legislative requirements only) for non-EU purposes where their use is not required in the EU?
3. What is it recommending to reduce and replace the use of dogs for satisfying requirements for plant protection and chemicals legislation and will it review the need for dogs across all areas?