

# **The Fund for the Replacement of Animals in Medical Experiments (FRAME)**

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*FRAME, Russell & Burch House, Nottingham, UK*

Symposium: 20 Years of ZEBET at the BfR  
Berlin, 27 October 2009



In 1969, the Fund for the Replacement of Animal in Medical Experiments (FRAME) was founded as a charitable trust by Mrs Dorothy Hegarty and Dr Charles Foister, “to promote or assist in the provision of research into acceptable new techniques and substitutes for the use of animals, particularly when such animals are being used for medical, biological, pharmaceutical and other research purposes”.





FRAME's first headquarters, at Worple Road,  
Rayne's Park, London



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Minutes of Meeting of Trustees  
held on 19th November 1979

Present: Mrs D Hegarty - Chairman  
Dr M Balls  
Dr C E Foister  
Mrs E Glynne-Jones  
Mr J T Hegarty

CO-OPTED - Mr B H Annett  
Dr P Hodges attended as an observer

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Re-appointment of Chairman: Dr Foister proposed and Dr Balls seconded that Mrs Hegarty be re-appointed Chairman for the ensuing year. This was carried unanimously.

1. Confirmation of Minutes: Minutes of the previous meetings held on 1st August and 26th October were confirmed and duly signed.
2. Matters Arising: Facts Sheets These will now be extended to cover further subjects.
3. Trustees: Mrs E Glynne-Jones and Dr M Balls were welcomed as new Trustees, and it was felt these appointments would help to strengthen our efforts.



MB with Dorothy Hegarty and the new FRAME logo (1989)



# Events in the History of FRAME

**1969** FRAME established in London

**1975** MB moves from Norwich (UEA) to Nottingham

**1976** Visit of Professor David Smyth (*Alternatives to Animal Experiments*)

**1978** Royal Society meeting on *The Use of Alternatives in Drug Research*

**1979** MB becomes a FRAME Trustee

**1981** Formation of All Party Parliamentary FRAME Group

**1981** MB becomes Chairman of FRAME Trustees

**1981** FRAME moves to Nottingham

**1982** FRAME Research Programme established

**1983** FRAME advises Govt on *Animals (Scientific Procedures) Act 1986*





# FRAME Events continued

**1983** FRAME receives first Government grant for alternatives research

**1983** Re-launch of *ATLA* as a peer-review international journal

**1983** FRAME International Test Validation Scheme and INVITTOX database established

**1992** Establishment of the FRAME Alternatives Laboratory (FAL) at the University of Nottingham, following refurbishment of the departmental tissue culture suite (funded by FRAME)

**1993** MB moves to become Head of Unit at ECVAM at EC JRC, Ispra, Italy, and Richard Clothier becomes Head of the FAL

**1995** Opening of Russell & Burch House by W.M.S.Russell

**2007** Further refurbishment and extension of the FAL (partly funded by FRAME)

**1982–2009** FRAME donations totalling *circa* £5,000,000 to the University for support of research in the School of Biomedical Sciences





Bill Russell opens Russell & Burch House, Nottingham (March 1995)







The ECVAM/CAAT Three Rs Workshop (Sheringham, UK, 1995)



# The Three Rs and the Humanity Criterion

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An abridged version of

**The Principles of  
Humane Experimental Technique**

*by W.M.S. Russell and R.L. Burch*

