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To Pro-Test Italia:

Understanding Animal Research has been following with concern the developments affecting animal research in Italy. While we fully support the additional regulations outlined in the EU Directive 2010/63/EU, we do not believe the additional laws passed by the Italian government will benefit animal welfare or future medical research. Furthermore, we deplore the recent increase in animal rights extremism in Italy.

We wish Pro-Test Italia all the best in its rally on Thursday, particularly in its efforts to inform the public and policy makers about the importance of animals in medical, scientific and veterinary research. Carefully regulated animal research must continue if we are to effectively tackle those diseases causing suffering in humans and animals.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Wendy Jarrett", with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

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