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Dissection is unnecessary and cruel. Stand up for animals and exercise your rights. Choose not to dissect.

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