

## A SOW'S LIFE - WORTH LIVING ?

**And this is what modern pig "production" claims to be "beneficial to the animals":**

**BREEDING SOWS** have a miserable existence during their "utilisation period" of 2.6 years in sow crates, in which they are only able to lie and stand up, cramped between iron bars, unable to turn round, or move away. Problems which result from such forced immobility are circulatory weakness and problems with the joints.

**PIGLETS** are separated from their mothers as early as at three weeks. The following operations are performed on them without anaesthetic:

- A few days after birth tails are docked, so that, because of the lack of suitable material for activity, they do not start to nibble at one another's tails out of boredom.
- Their canine teeth are also clipped off (in Germany "only" downgrinding is allowed).
- The male piglets are castrated by having their testicles ripped out and cut off.

**PORKERS AND PIGLETS** "exist" in pens on iron grids, or slatted concrete floors without any kind of litter, under which the mixture of faeces and urine (liquid manure) produces a terrible stench. This leads to the severe irritation of respiratory organs. Because of this preliminary damage things proceed to inflammation of the respiratory tracts, especially of the lungs. These "wither" so that, after slaughter, as much as 50% of the lungs have to be "rejected", not being suitable for use as animal feed! ...oh! but the meat which you buy and eat is supposed to be a perfectly safe purchase!

**WE ASK VETERINARY AUTHORITIES AND PRACTITIONERS; SUBJECT EXPERTS, AND SCIENTISTS:**

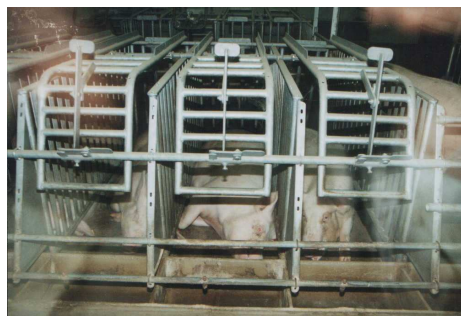
"Why do you prefer to remain silent about the inhumanity of 'pig production'?"

**WE ASK YOU AS CONSUMERS:**

"Why do you let yourself be deceived by agricultural representatives, commerce and trade? Why do you let them 'lead you up the garden path', all those smoothtalkers in the adverts, all those idyllic images, all those lies which are partly even deliberately aimed to reach you?"

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Sows in crate-stalls



Sow with Piglets in farrowing stall



Pigs for fattening