ABOUT HARN
The Human Animal Research Network (HARN) at the University of Sydney is an interdisciplinary and cross-Faculty research group comprising members from the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, Faculty of Science, Faculty of Veterinary Science and the Faculty of Law. From the perspectives of Science, Law, Veterinary Science and the Humanities, both the 'animal' and the 'human' carry different meanings and unique philosophical genealogies, and much can be learnt when these perspectives interact, consult, teach and learn from each other. HARN aims to promote cross-disciplinary dialogue within the university and between the university and community groups, international human animal studies organizations and other Australian University based organizations.

IN HUMAN CARE
In what ways do humans 'care' for animals? The contexts in which the term 'care' is used demonstrate its multipurpose and also, perhaps, an assumption that we know what care is and what it can do. Can care be motivated, activated or focused on doing certain things and not others? How do we assess, read and measure 'care' in relation to the animal human bond? This seminar approaches the issue of care from three different angles. Malcolm France discusses the perceptions and practice of care in the context of the use of animals in research; Anne Fawcett discusses how veterinarian’s reading of the human animal bond impacts on mobilisation of care. Fiona Probyn-Rapsey examines the work of Stanley Cohen (States of Denial) noting how different ‘cultures’ of denial effect the mobilization of care.

SPEAKERS
Anne Fawcett
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The human animal bond and its role in determining treatment of animals in a veterinary clinical context

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Animals in Scientific Research

Fiona Probyn-Rapsey
Department of Gender and Cultural Studies, Sydney
Activating care and thinking through denial

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