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Dear Colleagues,

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We would like to update you regarding the letter we sent out in October 2021 notifying you that sentinel mice purchased for use as part of our pathogen surveillance program were likely contaminated with an excluded pathogen, *Corynebacterium bovis*, at sometime prior to delivery to one of our SPF vivariums (MBP 2<sup>nd</sup> Street).

Our current sentinel pathogen surveillance program consists of two furred immunocompetent and two nude immunocompromised mice per cage submitted on a staggered quarterly schedule with cages from different racks in the room to ensure constant and continuous surveillance. All pathology reports since June 2021 to date have come back negative for all excluded pathogens. We have had no animal health or other facility concerns and all operations are nominal. We continue to operate at the highest level of care and conduct refresher training with our staff to ensure all biosecurity practices are being performed correctly. These best practices ensure that in the event of a possible pathogen we can isolate and eliminate the threat and prevent widespread contamination.

We appreciate the support and understanding of our clients over this past year. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact myself or our customer service team.

Best Regards,

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