

**College of Veterinary Medicine** University Research Animal Resources

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Dear Dr. King:

I write this memo to provide a summary of our most recent routine sentinel evaluations.

The University of Georgia CVM Animal Resources unit uses a systematic dirty-bedding sentinel program where one box of 3 female sentinels serves one side of an animal rack. Sentinels are euthanized and a gross necropsy is performed by our department's registered veterinary technician. Blood is collected at euthanasia, and serum is submitted to the Georgia Laboratory Animal Diagnostic Service, which is part of the Diagnostic Laboratory at the College of Veterinary Medicine. http://vet.uga.edu/dlab/lab\_sections/glads

There were no seropositive results for the agents tested. Attached are final reports from the UGA CVM Diagnostic Laboratory's GLADS.

Sentinels are also evaluated visually and microscopically at necropsy for ecto- and endoparasites. None have been seen in any of these appraisals.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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