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To: Valued Clients

From: BCM Medical Genetics Laboratories

**RE:** Discontinuation of Test

Effective September 16, 2013 the Medical Genetics Laboratories at Baylor College of Medicine will discontinue offering the following test:

<u>Test code 3055</u> - Mitochondrial Whole Genome Sequence Analysis

As an alternative to this discontinued test, we recommend ordering test code 2055 – Comprehensive mtDNA Analysis by Massively Parallel Sequencing (MitoNGS<sup>SM</sup>). This massively parallel sequencing based test enables the simultaneous detection of mtDNA point mutations and the accurate quantification of heteroplasmy. This new test is also a sensitive method for mtDNA large deletion and multiple deletion detection.

With a relatively similar price, test 2055 concurrently increases the detection rate and is an all-in-one test for mitochondrial DNA analysis.

If there are any questions, please contact us at 713-798-6555 or email us at genetictest@bcm.edu. In addition, please visit our website for any notices or postings.

<u>Thank you for your valued business.</u> We look forward to providing you with the highest quality genetic <u>testing services.</u>

Sincerely,

Sean Y. Kim

General Manager

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