To: Faculty, Staff, Postdoctoral Fellows, and Students

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Subj: Resumption of Animal Research Activities

The Department of Comparative Medicine has continued to support animal colony maintenance and designated critical ongoing research during the COVID-19 pandemic. As the university phases back into normal research activities, the animal facilities will gradually return to full operation. Before resuming your procedures, please ensure that your department chair and associate dean for research have approved you to return to the campus and resume animal research activities. Also, ensure that you follow all guidelines posted throughout the animal facilities, including wearing masks, practicing social distancing, sanitizing your hands, and disinfecting surfaces after use.

If you have questions about resuming use of research animals, please contact the Department of Comparative Medicine (252-744-2420).