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Memo To: Clients
Re: *Farmer's Lung IgG Antibodies, Serum*

The [Farmer's Lung IgG Antibodies, Serum](#) test includes *Micropolyspora faeni* IgG Antibodies and *Thermoactinomyces vulgaris* IgG Antibodies.

Thermoactinomyces vulgaris IgG Antibodies will no longer be reported due to a lengthy supply delay for reagents and will be substituted with *Laceyella sacchari* IgG Antibodies.

***Thermoactinomyces vulgaris* and *Laceyella sacchari* are considered clinically equivalent and, as such, test results will not be affected.**

Please refer to the website for details including revised interface codes.

Rationale for the revision:

Thermoactinomyces vulgaris and *Laceyella sacchari* have many phenotypic similarities and often coexist in many agricultural settings. Both are abundant in moldy fodders and other vegetable matter including straw, cereal grains, cotton, composts, hay, manure, etcetera, and both have been isolated from moldy hay, farm-animal fodder, cut grass, bagasse, compost, and soil. Both *Thermoactinomyces vulgaris* and *Laceyella sacchari* are implicated in different types of hypersensitivity pneumonitis like Farmer's Lung, bagassosis, and Mushroom-worker's Lung.

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