

December 15, 2011

Dear Client:

We regret to inform you that our Molecular Diagnostics Laboratory located within the Institute of Metabolic Disease in Dallas, Texas will be closing, effective immediately. Our Molecular Diagnostic Laboratory Director, Dr. Bingzhi Yang, is retiring after many years of service; to present date, we have been unable to secure a new laboratory director for this department.

Currently, samples that have been received by the Molecular Diagnostics Laboratory will be tested by Dr. Yang prior to her departure. However, we cannot accept any new samples beginning on December 15, 2011. Any samples received on or after December 15, 2011 will be returned to the submitting client or forwarded to another testing facility at your request; the cost of the sample return or forwarding to a facility within the United States will be paid by the Institute of Metabolic Disease (IMD). Our Sample Processing department will contact clients for instructions regarding sample return or forwarding.

We encourage clients to visit the NIH sponsored website, [www.genetests.org](http://www.genetests.org) which is an excellent resource for locating laboratories that perform clinical testing in many areas including Molecular Diagnostics.

We anticipate re-opening our Molecular Diagnostics Laboratory in the future. With this in mind, our test menu may change to accommodate the new Molecular Diagnostics Laboratory Director. We will keep you informed of our progress....

During this time of transition, please do not hesitate to contact the IMD with any questions or concerns. We greatly appreciate your understanding in this matter.

Best regards,



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