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This letter attests to the quality assurance of the University of Tennessee Clinical Immunology Laboratory. The Clinical Immunology Laboratory conducts quality control checks on all instruments and regents used in the laboratory and maintains appropriate controls. Standard operating procedures have been developed and are maintained for all tests. Biological safety cabinet certification is conducted annually by an independent contractor and safety inspections are conducted by the Institute of Agriculture's occupational safety and biological safety officers.

The laboratory participates in an annual proficiency testing program and is certified by the National Veterinary Service Laboratory (NVSL) to perform Johnes testing on milk and serum samples from cattle.

The director of the laboratory is Professor Stephen Kania, PhD. He has over twenty years of experience in diagnostic testing.

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