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**Re: Public Record Request BIDLS-2021-221**



This letter is in regard to the above referenced public record request received by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (the "Department" or "DPH") on October 28, 2021. This request has been assigned a tracking number: **BIDLS-2021-221**. Specifically, you requested:

All studies and/or reports in the possession, custody or control of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health describing the **purification** of the often mentioned "**COVID-19 virus**" (aka "SARS-COV-2", including any alleged "variants") directly from a sample taken from a diseased human, where the patient sample was not first combined with any other source of **genetic** material (i.e. monkey kidney cells aka Vero cells; fetal bovine serum).

Please note that I am not requesting studies/reports where researchers failed to **purify** the suspected "virus" and instead:

- cultured something, and/or
- performed an amplification test (i.e. a PCRtest), and/or
- fabricated a genome from sequences detected in an impure substance, and/or
- produced electron microscopy images of unpurified things.

The Department has no records responsive to your request.

To the extent you are seeing scientific information about the SARS-CoV-2 virus and COVID-19, the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention makes COVID-19

Science and Research, including recent articles, publicly available here:  
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/science/science-and-research.html>.

DPH now considers this public records request closed. If you wish to challenge this response, and your request was received in writing, you may appeal to the Supervisor of Records following the procedure set forth in 950 CMR 32.08, a copy of which is attached. Pursuant to G.L. c. 66, §10A, you may also seek judicial review by commencing a civil action in Suffolk Superior Court.

Please contact me with any questions. In any communication regarding this request, please reference the assigned tracking number: **BIDLS-2021-221**.

Sincerely,  
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