



Fetal Bovine Serum from the Cell Culture Facility

The Cell Culture Facility (CCF) has finished extensive testing this summer and found a supplier of Fetal Bovine Serum (FBS) that can provide excellent quality serum to the CCF.

The CCF prides itself on finding the best products for UCSF researchers and providing them at the best possible price. Recently the former supplier of FBS started providing serum with unacceptable endotoxin and hemoglobin levels. To identify a new and superior source of FBS, CCF conducted testing on five cell lines, ten lots of serum plus controls. CCF found that JR Scientific lot E009-6 consistently out performed the competition. The certificate of analysis for this serum is available on our website, www.ccf.ucsf.edu.

JR Scientific agreed to put a large number of bottles of this lot on hold for UCSF. CCF expects to be able to provide serum of this quality for the foreseeable future. This serum is being used to prepare CCFAP003 and CCFAP004 (refiltered), as well as CCFAQ008 and CCFAQ009 (heat inactivated and refiltered).

We hope the UCSF research community will be pleased with this serum.