U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE VETERINARY SERVICES

RIVERDALE, MARYLAND 20737

UNITED STATES VETERINARY PERMIT FOR IMPORTATION AND TRANSPORTATION OF CONTROLLED MATERIALS AND ORGANISMS AND VECTORS

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NAME AND ADDRESS OF SHIPPER(S)

Various Countries Outside the U.S.

PERMIT NUMBER 610-23-152

610-23-152-93593 PERMIT CATEGORY

Research

DATE ISSUED DATE

13-JUN-2025 | 13-JUN-2026

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CC:

NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERMITTEE INCLUDING ZIP CODE AND TELEPHONE NUMBER

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U.S. PORT(S) OF ARRIVAL

Any U.S. Port(s)

MODE OF TRANSPORTATION
Air, Land, Sea

AS REQUESTED IN YOUR APPLICATION, YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO IMPORT OR TRANSPORT THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS

Human isolates of nontuberculous mycobacteria, Nocardia, and other aerobic actinomycetes

RESTRICTIONS AND PRECAUTIONS FOR TRANSPORTING AND HANDLING MATERIALS AND ALL DERIVATIVES

THIS PERMIT IS ISSUED UNDER AUTHORITY CONTAINED IN 9 CFR CHAPTER 1, PARTS 94, 95 AND 122. THE AUTHORIZED MATERIALS OR THEIR DERIVATIVES SHALL BE USED ONLY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS AND PRECAUTIONS SPECIFIED BELOW (ALTERATIONS OF RESTRICTIONS CAN BE MADE ONLY WHEN AUTHORIZED BY USDA, APHIS, VS).

- Adequate safety precautions shall be maintained during shipment and handling to prevent dissemination of disease.
- With the use of this permit I, Monika Kumaraswamy, Permittee, acknowledge that the regulated material(s) will be imported/transported within the United States in accordance with the terms and conditions as are specified in the permit. The Permittee is the legal importer/recipient [as applicable] of regulated article(s) and is responsible for complying with the permit conditions. The Permittee must be at least 18 years of age and have and maintain an address in the United States that is specified on the

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permit; or if another legal entity, maintain an address or business office in the United States with a designated individual for service of process; and serve as the contact for the purpose of communications associated with the import, transit, or transport of the regulated article(s). **Note: Import/Permit requirements are subject to change at any time during the duration of this permit.

- ***Materials shall be consigned directly to the permittee address specified above.
- ***Each shipment shall be accompanied by an ORIGINAL document from the producer confirming that the exported materials: 1) were isolated from humans; and 2) have not been exposed to any animal-derived nutrient factors/supplements (such as fetal bovine serum, albumin, insulin, or other "growth factors").
- ***[This certification must CLEARLY correspond to the shipment by means of an invoice number or shipping marks or lot number or other identification method. An English translation must be provided.]
- It is incumbent upon the permittee to uphold proper biosafety procedures and protocols to protect human and animal health as per institutional policy and recommendations published in Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories, current edition.
- This permit DOES NOT authorize direct or indirect exposure of or inoculation into laboratory and domestic livestock, (including but not limited to: birds/poultry, cattle, sheep, goats, swine, and/or horses). Work shall be limited to in vitro uses only.
- Materials, derivatives, packaging, containers, and all equipment in contact with the imported products shall be sterilized or considered a biohazard and disposed of accordingly.
- Importer/permittee is responsible for obtaining any required authorization (letter or permit) from the Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (DHHS, CDC). Importer to contact: (404) 718-2077.
- The imported material must be shipped by a commercial courier with tracking capabilities. Hand-carried material is subject to confiscation and destruction.
- Imported articles (including hand-carried material) may be subject to regulations enforced by US Customs and Border Protection (CBP). Please visit their website: http://cbp.gov/biologicals.
- Work with the permitted material shall be performed in accordance with the condition requirements described in this permit. Subsequent distribution to another state is prohibited without prior authorization of APHIS (in the form of an interstate transport permit, written correspondence, or reference to an applicable guideline for no import permit required). Any

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- change in use, treatment, disposal, and distribution within the state may require approval from the state and/or local government.
- The restrictions on this permit remain in force as long as the material is in the United States.
- This permit does not exempt the permittee from responsibility for compliance with any other applicable federal, state, or local laws and regulations.
- A copy of this permit should be included with the shipping documents. For imported materials, these documents must be presented to CBP Agricultural Specialists upon arrival at the U.S. port of arrival.

TO EXPEDITE CLEARANCES AT THE PORT OF ENTRY, BILL OF LADING, AIRBILL OR OTHER DOCUMENTS ACCOMPANYING THE SHIPMENT SHALL BEAR THE PERMIT NUMBER

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