Building a World-Class Facility for a Best-in-Class Veterinary Diagnostic Lab

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- 48 year old facility with serious deficiencies in biosafety, biocontainment, quality and amount of suitable space
- Current structure/facilities puts laboratory accreditation at serious risk
- → Tremendous growth in demand for services

| 1976 | | 2023 |
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| 10 faculty, 20 staff, 16,000 cases, 35,000 tests conducted | <u>1.</u> | 30 faculty, 150 staff, 120,000 cases, 6 million tests conducted |

- Largest food animal caseload in the U.S. serving the most progressive livestock and poultry producers in the world
- → Critical for protecting the health of Iowa's wildlife resources
- → Plays a substantial role in protecting and advancing human health
- Living laboratory for training the next generation of veterinarians and scientists
- \rightarrow Cutting edge resource to answer critical questions

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