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Dr. Nam Nguyen Science Editor JoVE 1 Alewife Center, Suite 200 Cambridge, MA 02140

Dear Dr. Nguyen:

We would like to submit the revised manuscript 'Assessing bacterial invasion of cardiac cells in culture and heart colonization in infected mice using *Listeria monocytogenes*' by P. David McMullen and myself for consideration for publication in JoVE. We have revised the manuscript according to the editorial review comments, and we hope that this improved version meets with your approval. We have indicated all changes to the manuscript in blue type.

We thank you for your consideration of our manuscript for publication in JoVE.

Sincerely,

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