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March 4, 2010

Mr. Edward O. Lanphier II President and Chief Executive Officer Sangamo Biosciences, Inc. 501 Canal Blvd, Suite A100 Richmond, California 94804

Re: Sangamo Biosciences, Inc. Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2008 Filed on March 3, 2009 File No. 000-30171

Dear Mr. Lanphier:

We have completed our review of your Form 10-K and related filings and have no further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey P. Riedler Assistant Director

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