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Dr. D'a Maycock, Blood Products Laboratory, Lister Institute, Elstree, Herts.

Dear Dr. D'a Maycock,

You will be aware that I have been collecting epidemiological evidence for the past two years about the incidence of transfusion hepatitis associated with the use of Hemofil. During this time it has become apparent that there is a fairly constant incidence of hepatitis which occurs after transfusion of both English Factor VIII and other commercial preparations. It would seem to me to be worth using the informal system of reporting cases, which has been used for Hemofil, for a study of the incidence of hepatitis after transfusion of both English and commercial products.

I am wondering whether you would be interested in our studying some of the Lister Factor VIII. We would compare this with both Edinburgh Hemofil and Kryobulin, and I would suggest that this is done over a two year period beginning January 1977.

I am in the process of writing up the Hemofil associated cases, and if you are interested, perhaps I could come and see you to show you the sort of data that I have obtained in this survey.

Kindest regards,

Yours sincerely, GRO-C

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