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Dr. W. d'A. Maycock,
The Lister Institute of Preventive
Medicine,

Elstree,
Herts.

Dear Dr. Maycock,

Factor VIII Distribution

Thank you for your letter of 5th August.

I think you have now persuaded me to change my mind and agree that, 'dirty' though it is, we should organise the purchase and distribution of any commercial product that may be needed.

Another thing which has also persuaded me is the discovery that a Haematologist in the region (not at the recognised Haemophilia Centre) has been purchasing quite large quantities of commercial Factor VIII. We and the RHA had suspected that this was being done and, on looking at the cryoprecipitate issues to this particular hospital, there has been a remarkable drop over the last eighteen months, which I think can only be ascribed to using commercial alternatives, and which I calculate must be costing between £8,000 and £10,000 a year.

Yours sincerely,

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J. Darnborough.

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