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HEPATITIS B CORE ANTIBODY TESTING - LETTER DR NAPIER, 25 MARCH 1996

1. I enclose a copy of a letter received from Dr Napier.
2. I would be grateful for advice on how to respond to this letter. My personal view is that the reasons behind decisions made by the ACVSB and its successor committee the MSBT should not be made available to Dr Napier or the Courts unless we are forced to do so.
3. I assume Dr Napier is acting as an expert witness on behalf of the defendants. It is somewhat ironic that this case should be brought against North London BTS, since this is the Transfusion Centre that has pushed hardest for the introduction of anti hepatitis B core antibody screening. There must therefore be a risk that they will not be as firm in their defence as they could be.

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