

Cutter



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Professor Temperly is in charge of the hemophilia clinic. Professor Temperly did not report it to Medical and Michael is very upset about this. In fact, last Wednesday Michael, Marie Tatt and I had lunch with Prof. Temperly. On Thursday, a patient was diagnosed as having Pneumocystis Carinii infection with a presumptive diagnosis of AIDS. The patient has been on Koate since 31 January 1984 but before that he had a mixture of everything. Prof. Temperly recalled all the Koate from the patients on home therapy and replaced it with the Armour product (Prof. Temperly is a friend of Armour). The Koate is now in the refrigerator of Professor Temperly.

The concern is that while very few people know of the incident now, more may. The NDAB will as well as the press. What can we do to prepare?

1. Is there a known incubation period in hemophiliacs? Certainly it should be longer than the 10 months here. Koate most likely is not the cause, but it is hard to prove this.
2. Where else has the batch been used?

Michael mentioned there is a major meeting scheduled on December 10. The Ministry of Health will be meeting with directors of Hemophilia Centers to establish policy. Someone from Cutter should be there.

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