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Dear John,

I am at present negotiating with Dr. d'A. Maycock at the Lister to do a study on a random number of batches of Elstree Factor VIII, with the object of obtaining some data to compare the incidence of hepatitis after transfusion with this product, and that after the commercial brands Hemofil and Kryobulin.

I am wondering whether there is a way in which we can incorporate the data on patients treated with Edinburgh Factor VIII. I am aware that you do regular follow up surveys of the incidence of hepatitis, and therefore, it would seem that the only thing necessary is to arrange so that data are reported in a manner comparable to that of the Hemofil survey.

If you or your colleagues feel that this will be a worthwhile exercise, say for a two year period, perhaps we can discuss this further as I feel that now is the time to do such a comparison. Agreement for this project was obtained at the Haemophilia Directors meeting in London in January.

Kindest regards,

Yours sincerely,

GRO-C

J. Caske.

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