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Dear Peter,

Thank you for your letter of 14th May and the bentonite protocol for FFA adsorption. I shall, of course, consider it as confidential; as yet we do not have an FFA assay but I am currently considering the logistics of this.

The telephone conversation we had last week was most useful. Unfortunately I don't think I shall be able to attend the Hepatitis Working Party on 7th July as I shall be on holiday; Jean Spooner volunteered on the phone that you would be unable to attend also. This all seems a great pity because I just wonder which direction the chronic hepatitis project will go. Dr. Craske is coming up to Edinburgh on Wednesday next week not only to see me but also Bob Hopkins in the Blood Transfusion. He has a possible laboratory test for Non A Non B. I have had a preliminary discussion with Niall Finlayson, our hepatologist, and he would be quite happy to undertake liver biopsies. Following our conversation I thought that I would try and extend Niall Finlayson's participation and ask him to take a more general look at their liver function in a broader context. The biopsies would then turn from a research into a diagnostic procedure. I am anxious to press ahead with the biopsies but I don't think we will actually manage any before September because of the intervening holiday season.

If there are further points you want to discuss with me before Dr. Craske visits me on Wednesday you could give me a ring. Thank you for the form listing the pre biopsy investigations. I enclose copies of the letters between myself and Dr. Craske.

With best wishes,
Yours sincerely,

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