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Dear Dr. Delamore,

Antihæmophilic globulin concentrate

The ad hoc Expert Committee on the Treatment of Haemophilia and the Regional Transfusion Directors Meeting agreed earlier this year that concentrate prepared at BIL should be distributed in proportion to the number of hæmophilics known to have been treated.

The latest figures of patients treated are those for 1974 prepared by Dr. Rosemary Diggs from information submitted by Haemophilia Centre Directors, copies of which I understand were distributed to hæmophilia centre directors by Oxford.

The amount of concentrate being prepared at BIL is about 50 per cent of the expected maximum production of 50,000 bottles, each containing about 250 iu factor VIII. It is expected that production should reach about 70-80 per cent of target by the end of 1976 and 100 per cent by autumn 1977, assuming that the necessary plasma is received and that no unexpected difficulties occur.

Set out below are the quantities of concentrate to be allocated monthly to the regional transfusion centres in the region served ^{by} your Haemophilia Reference Centre. These figures are based upon the number of hæmophilics undergoing treatment in 1974 reported by hæmophilia centres and a production rate at BIL of about 50 per cent of target. The amount distributed will be increased proportionally as production grows.

RTC Manchester : 240 bottles

RTC Liverpool : 50 bottles

It is suggested that this information should be discussed with the Regional Transfusion Directors concerned, to whom this letter has also been sent. Would you then please let me know if any adjustments, within the total, should be made in the amounts sent to the regional transfusion centres concerned in the region served by your Haemophilia Reference Centre.

Yours sincerely,

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