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Dear Mr. Guthrie,

Your ref: A/8/331/G/B - Application from The Lord  
Mayor Treloar Trust, Alton, Hants.

I feel that this grant should be continued for a number of reasons:-

1. The collection of 49 haemophilic patients at the Alton school makes this a unique opportunity to study the disease. The patients are particularly important since crippling is still occurring and the question of prevention is under study.
2. The work which Dr. Rainsford has already done has defined the essential organisation required to treat boys gathered into one school. This was in itself a major research objective which has been achieved. As a result of this work and the efforts of local specialists and the Wessex Regional Hospital Board, a basic service for the treatment of the boys should soon be set up which will enable the Research Fellow to concentrate on purely research projects.
3. In addition to the basic organisational research, Dr. Rainsford has already initiated 7 other research projects, all of which are important and will cease if support for research is not forthcoming.
4. Good cooperation has already been established between the work being carried out at Alton and the work of other research centres, particularly the one at Oxford, and we feel that it is most desirable for this cooperative work to continue.
5. Although not specifically stated in this application, it is intended that Dr. Rainsford should continue as Research Fellow. Dr. Rainsford has already shown himself to be an able organiser, to have many original ideas of his own, and to have immense energy and ability in obtaining cooperation from other scientists.

Yours sincerely,

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