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Dear Dr. Mitchell:

This letter is in response to a report received via our U. K. office regarding development of hepatitis B in a patient under your care. We understand that this individual had undergone coronary bypass surgery, and that prior to surgery, had been determined HBAG and HBAB negative; however, four months later tested HBAG positive. It is also our understanding that he had been given two injections of hepatitis B vaccine prior to surgery, and that during and/or following the operative procedure, received two units of whole blood, 6 units of platelets, and infusions of Koate HT, Antihemophilic Factor Human, Heat-treated. This was from Lot 50R004.

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We have had no other reports of any type of adverse reaction, including hepatitis, with respect to Lot 50R004. A review of all manufacuring records and QA evaluations are normal for this Lot. Each unit of plasma which went into this production batch was hepatitis B antigen negative, and RIA testing of the Lot itself was HBAG negative.

In view of the foregoing laboratory studies, with the lack of other hepatitis reports regarding this Lot, and considering the patient's having received blood and platelets, we do not believe Koate HT to be the probable source for his hepatitis B.

Cordially yours,

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