Minutes of the

Anti-HBc Screening Project Study Group Meeting

Wednesday, 26 February 1997

at EABC

Present: Professor Jean-Pierre Allain Dr John Barbara Dr Pat Hewitt David Howell Una Whicheloe Dr Lorna Williamson Division of Transfusion Medicine National Blood Service, North London National Blood Service, South Thames National Blood Service, North London National Blood Service, South Thames Division of Transfusion Medicine/EABC

Apologies: Professor Richard Tedder

<u>Action</u>

PH to draft a letter.

1.0 Minutes of Last Meeting, 20 November 1996

Accepted.

2.0 Matters Arising from the Minutes

2.1 Budget

£10K had been received from Abbott, of which £7K had already been spent. In theory there should be enough to fund Una Whicheloe until the end of May 1997. It was unlikely that previous Zonal commitments for 1996-97 would carry forward. If necessary, a bid could be made for any balance needed (likely to be around £3K) from the £16K allocated by Dr Contreras for Clinical Research in 1997-98.

2.2 Future Presentations

The closing date for AABB abstracts is the end of April. JB indicated that he would also like a presentation at BBTS. It was, therefore, proposed to split the presentations, doing one on testing/donors for BBTS, and the lookback for AABB.

3.0 Update on EABC Results (see attached)

A further four recipients had agreed to be tested and six more were being contacted. The three positives were systematically reviewed. One was from a Category 3 donor and two from Category 5, but both with other negative recipients. Because the donors had not been systematically retested it was important to test later archive samples from these three donors.

LW to arrange with Barbara Cant.

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4.0 Update on South Thames Results

The fate of 313 donations was still not known. Of the 819 known, so far 47% of recipients were deceased. Sixty-two patients had been sampled, of whom three were positive. These were reviewed:

- i) Category 5 donor transfused to 75 year old male. Patient results anti-HBc positive, anti-HBS 1,000 miu/ml. No details of other recipients yet.
- ii) Category 4 donor transfused to 64 year old male. Patient anti-HBc positive, anti HBS 88 miu/ml.

Subsequent archives from these two donors should be sent to Richard Tedder.

PH

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iii) Category 3 donor transfused to elderly Indian patient with transfusiondependent aplastic anaemia.

Results on other recipients should be tested, but no need to send archive at this stage as association with transfusion far less likely.

5.0 Any Other Business

None

6.0 Date of Next Meeting

Wednesday, 21st May 1997, 09.30 at EABC (in the library)

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Professor Richard Tedder, University College London Medical School

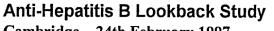
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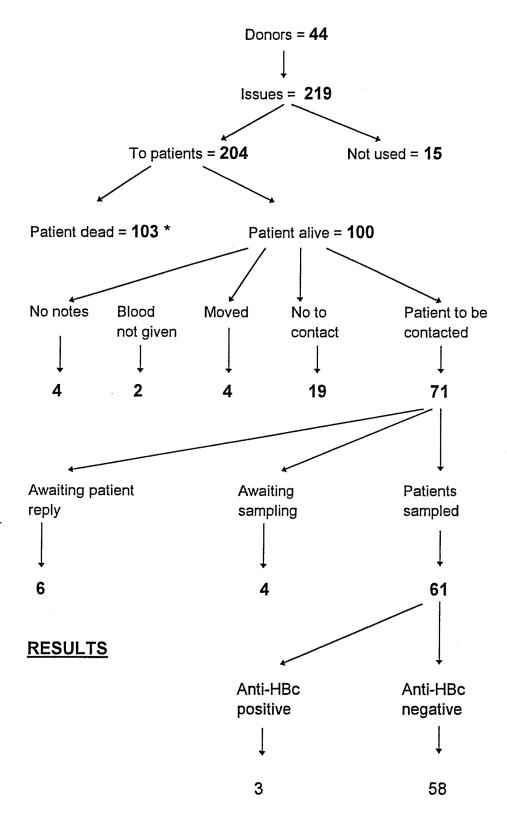
Dr Lorna Williamson, National Blood Service, East Anglia

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Cambridge, 24th February 1997

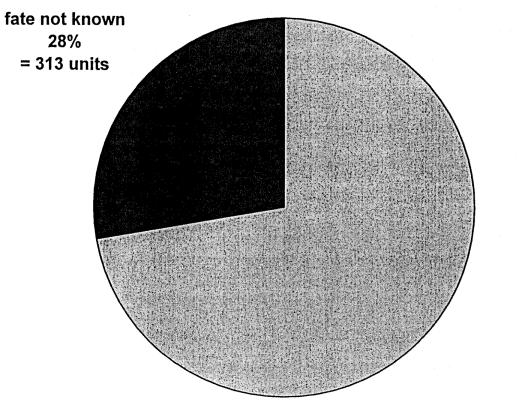


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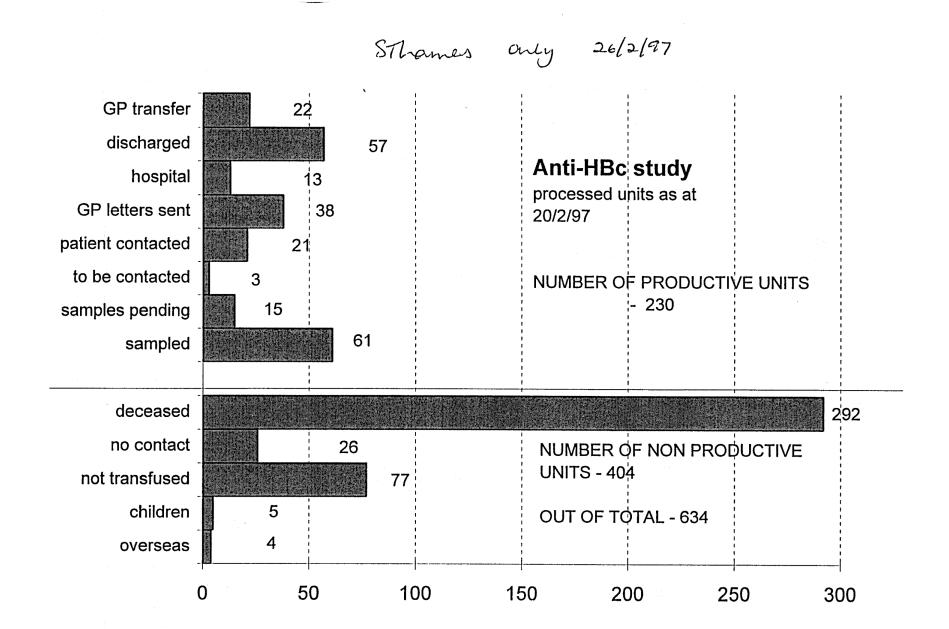
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= 809 units

175 units pending medical records info.

634 units being processed

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