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Dear Tom

## **HEPATITIS C LOOK-BACK**

Thank you for your letter dated 2 February 1996.

I last summarised the HCV Look-Back data on 2 January 1996 and I hope that this will be recent enough for you.

I enclose a copy of that information.

We have received a few more forms since and would estimate that that amounts to approximately 60% accounted.

From the table, of the 64 recipients still alive, 47 have been counselled. Thirty four of these are EIA positive and 25 are PCR positive. Only one recipient has been identified who is EIA negative/PCR positive.

It is difficult to predict how many more recipients will be identified but at a rough guess one could assume similar proportions for the forms that have yet to be returned.

It is frustrating that it is taking so long to receive reports but I guess that the hospitals are having quite a lot of difficulty chasing records in some cases.

There is also a trickle of on-going Look-Back from new donors identified and from some of the weaker reactors which technically fall into the positive category. From the latter I do not expect to identify many infected recipientsManchester Blood Centre Lancaster Blood Centre

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I hope this is of some help. I am sorry it is not completely up to date. There have been a few additional cases in the month since the report was prepared.

With kind regards.

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Yours sincerely

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