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Dear *Mr Sawyer*

PROTOCOL FOR A METHOD OF EXTRACTION OF FACTOR VIII FROM
CRYOPRECIPIATE - DR G SAVIDGE

I have now received Professor Bloom's comments on these documents
and had an opportunity to discuss them with Dr Harold Gunson.

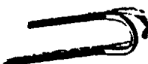
It is clear that the account of the detailed work undertaken in
this project represents a valuable addition to knowledge. As
was made clear at our meeting with you considerable further
developmental work on the method needs to be carried out.
Professor Bloom has I understand discussed the papers with
Dr Savidge and clarified certain points. In particular the
problems of potential toxicity.

In view of the uncertainties which can only be resolved through
considerable developmental work and although there is a promise
of increasing yields of Factor VIII from donor plasma
Professor Bloom has advised the Department that it would not in
his view be an appropriate method to pursue. We understand from
Professor Bloom that techniques have now been developed elsewhere
whereby the yield of Factor VIII obtained from plasma can be
vastly increased. In view of this, it is felt that the need
for further work on Dr Savidge's method would not make the best
use of our limited development resources.

I am most grateful for the consideration that the Trustees have
given the Department to obtain a view on this protocol before
making it available elsewhere.

Yours sincerely

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cc: Dr Moore - pp5

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