

**REVIEW OF DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH DOCUMENTS
ON INFECTION FROM BLOOD AND BLOOD PRODUCTS WITH
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Committees 1-6**

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Tab 1	Ad Hoc Expert Working Group on the Evaluation of Kits for Anti-HTLV III Assay	Notes of Meeting	18.03.85	Plans to evaluate anti-HTLV III kits and role of DHSS in providing information on performance of diagnostic products	Consider whether possible or desirable to redact names of Group members using s.36 FOIA? ¹	
Tab 1	Note of 3 rd Meeting of Ad Hoc Working Group on the Evaluation of Anti-HTLV III kits	Notes of Meeting	25.09.85	Discussion of kits and suitability for routine screening of blood donations. Brief mention of cost of attaining self-sufficiency in blood products	s.36 FOIA?	2 further copies
Tab 2	Expert Advisory Group on AIDS : 1 st Meeting 29.01.85	Agenda & Notes of 1st	29.01.85	Surveillance of AIDS infection, availability of AIDS screening test	s.36 FOIA?	2 further copies

¹ When I refer to s.36 FOIA as a possible issue throughout this document, I do not mean that the document itself could be exempted under s.36 as likely to inhibit the free and frank provision of advice or the free and frank exchange of views for the purposes of deliberation or would otherwise prejudice, or be likely to prejudice the effective conduct of public affairs. I am simply raising an issue as to whether it may be possible to withhold the names of committee members or individual civil servants on the grounds of s.36. There is likely to be a government policy on the approach to s.36 FOIA and this should be followed. I am simply flagging up those documents where individual names are mentioned.

	(redacted ²)	Meeting		(BTS Advisory Group on AIDS had concluded that a screening test for all blood donors should be made available asap) - setting up of subgroup to consider screening		
Tab 2	Expert Advisory Group on AIDS : 2 nd Meeting 13.03.85	Notes of meeting	13.03.85	Reference to Screening Sub-Group's work	s.36 FOIA?	
Tab 2	Expert Advisory Group on AIDS : 3 rd Meeting 22.04.85	Notes of meeting	22.04.85	Reference to Screening Sub-Group's work – « There was general agreement on the need to ensure, before any screening test was introduced into BTS, that it was reliable and that proper validation tests and arrangements were available »	s.36 FOIA?	2 further copies
Tab 2	Expert Advisory Group on AIDS : 4 th Meeting 29.05.85	Minutes of meeting	29.05.85	Reference to introduction of screening test « The Chairman said that while it was important to introduce a reliable screening test asap, an effective evaluation of the test was essential and should not be rushed.»	s.36 FOIA?	2 further copies
Tab 2	Expert Advisory Group on AIDS : 5 th Meeting 30.07.85	Minutes of meeting	30.07.85	Evaluation of AIDS screening tests « Members agreed that the most important factor was to achieve an effective and reliable test » Follow up of donations previously given by donors who are identified as positive for HTLV III	s.36 FOIA?	3 further copies
Tab 3	Minutes of 3 rd Meeting of	Notes of	25.03.85	AIDS counselling issues	s.36 FOIA?	2 further copies

² Many of the documents I have seen have already been redacted on the ground that parts were not relevant to the issues in the litigation. This was presumably done by the Office of the Solicitor before disclosing the documents. Given the suggestion of cover up, this is likely to cause suspicion and an attempt should be made to see on what basis the original redactions were made so that an explanation can be given.

	sub-group on AIDS Counselling	meeting				
Tab 4	Expert Advisory Group on AIDS Screening Sub-Test Sub-Group	Notes of meeting	15.02.85	Field/pilot trials for AIDS screening test	s.36 FOIA?	
Tab 4	Expert Advisory Group on AIDS Screening Sub-Test Sub-Group	Notes of meeting	1.03.85	Availability of tests – concern over early reports of unreliability of commercial tests produced in USA and need for full evaluation before introduction into Regional Transfusion Centres	s.36 FOIA?	3 further copies
Tab 4	Expert Advisory Group on AIDS Screening Sub-Test Sub-Group	Notes of meeting	28.03.85	Progress report	s.36 FOIA?	
Tab 4	Expert Advisory Group on AIDS Screening Sub-Test Sub-Group	Notes of meeting	10.06.85	Progress report on evaluation of AIDS screening kits	s.36 FOIA?	1 further copy
Tab 4	Expert Advisory Group on AIDS Screening Sub-Test Sub-Group	Notes of meeting	05.06.85	Current results of anti HIV III testing in NBTS and evaluation of diagnostic kits	s.36 FOIA?	
Tab 5	Advisory Group on Hepatitis	Minutes of Meeting	05.12.80	AOB “Dr Lane emphasized the need to make any tests for markers of non-A non-B hepatitis available as soon as possible when they were developed. The Chairman asked Dr. Lane to keep the Committee informed about these.”	s.36 FOIA?	1 further copy
Tab 5	Advisory Group on Hepatitis	Minutes of Meeting	11.05.81	Nothing esp relevant	s.36 FOIA?	1 further copy
Tab 5	Advisory Group on Hepatitis	Minutes of Meeting	27.10.81	Nothing esp relevant	s.36 FOIA?	1 further copy
Tab 5	Advisory Group on Hepatitis	Minutes of Meeting	05.10.82	Nothing esp relevant	s.36 FOIA?	3 further copies
Tab 5	Advisory Group on Hepatitis	Minutes of Meeting	18.10.83	Nothing esp relevant	s.36 FOIA?	1 further copy
Tab 5	Advisory Group on	Minutes of	01.05.84	Nothing esp relevant	s.36 FOIA?	2 further copies

	Hepatitis	Meeting				
Tab 5	Advisory Group on Hepatitis	Agenda for Meeting	09.10.84	Nothing esp relevant	s.36 FOIA?	1 further partial copy
Tab 5	Advisory Group on Hepatitis	Minutes of Meeting	31.10.85	Safety of immunoglobulin with reference to HTLVIII – Consultative Group confirmed that at present was no evidence of risk attached to the use of normal or specific immunoglobulin prepared by universally accepted methods.	s.36 FOIA?	
Tab 6	Advisory Group on Testing for the Presence of Hepatitis Associated Antigen and its Antibody	Agenda and papers for 3 rd meeting on 13.01.71	Jan 71	Paper on Advisory Group – no. of serum or plasma samples referred for testing by Dr. AJ Zuckerman – reference to donors in prison	s.36 FOIA?	1 further copy
Tab 6	Note of 1 st Meeting of Reconvened Advisory Group on Testing for Presence of Hep B Surface Antigen and its Antibody	Note of Meeting	07.12.78	Reference to report of a trial on Non A Non B Hepatitis reported in Journal of Hygiene – was felt that research should be undertaken by MRC	s.36 FOIA?	Important insofar as research lines being pursued in 1978 into Hep C

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Tab 7	Advisory Committee on the National Blood Transfusion Service: Minutes of 1 st Meeting	Committee Minutes	01.12.80	Reference to need for policy of self-sufficiency in blood and blood products and possible role of plasmapheresis as method of plasma collection as means of doing this	Consider whether possible or desirable to redact names of committee members using s.36 FOIA?	
Tab 7	Advisory Committee on the National Blood Transfusion Service: Minutes of 3 rd Meeting (redacted)	Committee Minutes	22.06.81	Brief mention of cost of attaining self-sufficiency in blood products Section on Hepatitis Vaccine and NBTS cooperating in providing suitable plasma from Hep B sufferers to enable vaccine development	s.36 FOIA?	
Tab 7	Advisory Committee on the National Blood Transfusion Service: Minutes of 3 rd Meeting (unredacted)	Committee Minutes	22.06.81	As above. Unredacted section relates to collaborative venture by NBTS with Lorne Laboratories – does not seem relevant	s.36 FOIA?	
Tab 7	Advisory Committee on the National Blood Transfusion Service: Minutes of 8 th Meeting (redacted)	Committee Minutes	17.10.83	Discussion of Central Research Committee on Blood Transfusion and Haematology Working Group on AIDS which had been set up in June 83 and which had discussed the measures which may need to be taken to minimise the risks following the transfusion of blood products prepared from pooled plasma. « Dr. Gunson informed the meeting that the results of the studies would be available in 1984 and may well have significance for NBTS policies on the screening of donors, plasma harvesting and product manufacture. »	s.36 FOIA?	

Tab 7	Advisory Committee on the National Blood Transfusion Service: Minutes of 9 th Meeting (redacted)	Committee Minutes	10.04.84	Section 10 – AIDS Report that by end of March 1984 40 cases had been reported to Colindale of which 22 had died. 33 were homosexual and 2 were haemophiliacs...Dr. Rogers suggested that RTDs should adopt a more aggressive approach to discourage donors from high risk groups from giving blood.	s.36 FOIA?	
Tab 7	Advisory Committee on the National Blood Transfusion Service: Minutes of 11 th Meeting (redacted)	Committee Minutes	06.11.85	Para 7 - Report on AIDS – latest figures were 241 cases with 134 deaths. Detail of principal actions taken centrally to combat the disease since last meeting – culminating in introduction of HTLV III antibody screening of all blood donations simultaneously throughout UK with effect from 14.10.85. Comment on heat treatment of blood products. Report that advisory group on hepatitis was concerned about intramuscular immunoglobulin and was referring this to EAGA for consideration. Discussion of incidence of HTLV III infection. Also discussion of self-sufficiency and report on plasma returns (para 11)	s.36 FOIA?	
Tab 7	Advisory Committee on the National Blood Transfusion Service: Minutes of 12 th Meeting (redacted)	Committee Minutes	12.03.86	Para. 5 – AIDS – Dr. Gunson reported that of 850,000 NBTS donations tested to end of Jan 86, there had been 21 confirmed positives; Leeds RTC had moved to the Wellcome test. PHLS were about to do a survey of all available HTLV III antibody screening kits. Para 6 – The Chairman reported the conclusions of the Expert Advisory Group on Aids (EAGA) that there was no evidence that heat-treated Factor 8 and Factor 9 had transmitted the AIDS virus; EAGA were keeping immunoglobulins under review.	s.36 FOIA?	
Tab 8	NBTS Advisory	Paper for	Mar 86	Recommended that publicity is needed to educate	s.36 FOIA?	

	Committee – RTD Working Group on Autologous Blood Transfusion	Committee & NBTS Advisory Committee recommendations from 21.01.86		the public that blood collected within the NBTS in the UK is safe for transfusion (at 5).		
Tab 9	Minutes of 8 th Meeting of Central Blood Laboratories Authority (redacted)	Committee Minutes	28.09.83	Reference to Central Committee for Research and Development in Blood Transfusion, AIDS being set up and first meeting to be on 14 October 1983. MRC had also set up Committee on AIDS under Dr. D. Tyrell Budget statement re no way to stop DHAs buying blood products and they had freedom to acquire what they considered to be in best interests of their patients.	s.36 FOIA?	
Tab 9	Minutes of 14 th Meeting of Central Blood Laboratories Authority (redacted)	Committee Minutes	26.09.84	Reference to Non A Non B Hepatitis and intravenous immunoglobulin - it was agreed that proposed chimpanzee studies to establish safety of product should be carried out	s.36 FOIA? Reference to commercial company Immuno AG, Vienna and its proposed studies – commercial in confidence? ³	
Tab 10	Minutes of 2 nd Meeting of Central Committee for Research and Development in Blood Transfusion	Committee Minutes	07.11.83	Reference to current practice at BPL with regard to heat treatment of Factor VIII. Committee recommended to CBLA that the BPL heat treated Factor VIII should be subjected to clinical trials asap	s.36 FOIA?	

³ I will note where information about commercial companies and products appears in the document so that it can be considered whether the information was received in confidence. If so, there will be an exemption under s.41 FOIA if disclosure of that information to the public would constitute a breach of confidence actionable by the company in question. Given the age of the information in question, there may not be any issue but it would be advisable to review this.

	(redacted)			Updated on Transmission of NANBH by intravenous immunoglobulin		
Tab 10	Minutes of 3 rd Meeting of Central Committee for Research and Development in Blood Transfusion (redacted)	Committee Minutes	28.02.84	Reference to work on genetic engineering of Factor VIII. No UK company involved as yet. BPL heat treated Factor VIII concentrate – funding for trial Report on Minutes of 2 nd meeting of Working Group on AIDS	s.36 FOIA?	
Tab 10	Minutes of 5 th Meeting of Central Committee for Research and Development in Blood Transfusion	Committee Minutes	02.04.85	Reference to introduction of anti HTLV3 testing in BTS (AIDS) and use of heat treatment on Factor VIII and Factor IX preparations – experiments with respect to investigation of transmission of NANBH.	s.36 FOIA?	
Tab 10	Minutes of 6 th Meeting of Central Committee for Research and Development in Blood Transfusion	Committee Minutes	09.07.85	Reference to anti HTLV3 testing in BTS (AIDS) - any undue delay in introduction of tests would be unreasonable. Also update on use of heat treatment on Factor VIII and Factor IX preparations – clinical trials which had taken or were to take place.	s.36 FOIA?	2 nd copy in file
Tab 11	Minutes of 1 st meeting of Working Group on AIDS	Committee Minutes	14.10.83	Reference to use of smaller plasma pools for Factor VIII and treatment of blood products to eliminate micro-organisms. Was noted with NANBH that dry-heat treatment of Factor VIII and Factor X had not initially been encouraging from studies on chimpanzees. Paper attached which details importance of HTLV screening in UK and status of test development.	s.36 FOIA?	
Tab 12	Minutes of Medical Research Council Meeting	Minutes of Meeting	12.02.79	Important discussion regarding NANBH and potential for spread and post-transfusion hepatitis. Findings of research and need for further research discussed.	s.36 FOIA?	Important document assessing state of knowledge re: Hep C and blood products as at

						1979
						2 nd copy in file
Tab 12	Minutes of 1 st meeting of Working Party on Post-Transfusion Hepatitis	Working Party Minutes	14.02.80	Reference to formation of new DHSS Advisory Group to advise on public health aspects of hepatitis. Discussion of problems of NANBH and transmission of hepatitis by blood derivatives and methods of inactivation of hepatitis viruses in blood derivatives.	s.36 FOIA?	Important document 2 nd copy in file
Tab 13	Minutes of Regional Transfusion Directors' Meeting	Minutes of Meeting	15.10.69	Detection of hepatitis associated antigen	s.36 FOIA?	
Tab 13	Minutes of Regional Transfusion Directors' Meeting	Minutes of Meeting	20.05.70	Australia/hepatitis associated antigen	s.36 FOIA?	
Tab 13	Note of a Meeting at Alexander Fleming House to discuss problems of Hepatitis Associated Antigen in relation to blood transfusion and other matters	Minutes of Meeting	20.07.70	Discussion of what DHSS should do in light of present knowledge about hepatitis associated antigen to lessen risk of transmitting hepatitis by blood and blood derivatives and to lessen the risk to which persons associated with transfusion work were exposed.	s.36 FOIA?	
Tab 14	Regional Transfusion Directors' Committee Working Party on AIDS	Agenda for Meeting & Notes of Meeting	06.06.85	Discussion of introduction of routine screening test for AIDS	s.36 FOIA?	Relevant to AIDS issues
Tab 15	National Blood Transfusion Service Scientific and Technical Committee for the Central Blood Laboratories	Notes for Agenda Item 6 prepared by J.A. Holgate	07.06.79	Inspection of BPL and "serious deficiencies" found in all aspects	s.36 FOIA re: names?	Relevant to criticism of BPL facility
Tab 16	35 th Meeting of Regional	Agenda	04.09.85	Agenda items		

	Haematology Specialty Committee on 10.09.85					
Tab 17	Blood Products Laboratory/Wellcome Reagents Ltd Radioimmunoassay test: Note of a Meeting	Minutes of Meeting	24.02.82	Discussion of introduction of radioimmunoassay test	s.36 FOIA? Commercial in confidence material?	
Tab 18	Meeting at BPL on the implications for the Haemophilia and Blood Transfusion Services of Commercial Introduction of Hepatitis Safe Factor VIII and IX	Paper setting out agenda and comments for meeting	15.12.82	Discussion of safety and efficacy of commercially produced "hepatitis-safe" Factor VIII and IX	s.36 FOIA?	Relevant to AIDS/Hep C safety of blood and blood products but it was not clear at this stage that the products were in fact safe
Tab 19	Screening for HTLV III Antibodies: Notes of a Meeting held at Hannibal House on 13.02.85	Notes of meeting	13.02.85	Discussion re: evaluation of commercial kits ELISA kits for AIDS	s.36 FOIA?	

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Reports of Various Committees

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Tab 20	Expert Advisory Group on AIDS	Paper	?	Subject : Routine Screening for the AIDS Virus		1 further copy
Tab 20	Expert Advisory Group on AIDS	Paper	?	Subject : AIDS and Drug Misusers : A Discussion Paper		1 further copy
Tab 21	Expert Advisory Group on AIDS : Screening Tests Sub Group	Report	02.04.85	Report on the Introduction of a Test for Antibody to the AIDS Related Virus – covering letter Dr. A Smithies to The Screening Tests Sub-Group	s.36 FOIA?	2 further copies
Tab 22	Report of the Advisory Group on Testing for the Presence of Hepatitis Associated Antigen and its Antibody	Draft report	1971 ?			Not esp relevant
Tab 22	Revised Report of the Advisory Group on Testing for the Presence of Australia Associated Hepatitis Associated Antigen and its Antibody	Published report	?			Not esp relevant

Tab 22	Second Report of the Advisory Group on Testing for the Presence of Hep B Surface Antigen and its Antibody	Report	Sep 75	Recommendations for routine testing for Hep B	s.36 FOIA?	
Tab 22	Third Report of the Advisory Group on Testing for the Presence of Hep B Surface Antigen and its Antibody	Report	1981	<p>Discussion of general principles of testing and screening tests – types</p> <p>Discussion of Tests for Non-A, Non-B Hepatitis Viruses</p> <p>« Non-A, non-B hepatitis viruses are a common cause of PTH in the United States and are thought to have been responsible for cases of PTH in the UK. Hepatitis due to these viruses is common among haemophiliacs and follows the administration of imported, and occasionally of British Factor VIII and Factor IX... There are at the present time no screening tests for detecting non-A, non-B hepatitis viruses in blood donations. We recommend that research is undertaken in the UK to determine the extent and severity of PTH due to non-A, non-B hepatitis viruses. Unless this is done we will not have the knowledge on which to base any possible future recommendations about screening blood donations for these viruses. »</p>	s.36 FOIA? Public document- from library of DHSS?	<p>Important to Hep C issues</p> <p>2 further copies</p>
Tab 23	Report of the Advisory Group on Testing for the Presence of Australia (Hepatitis	2 nd draft report	1971	See above.		2 copies

	Associated) Antigen and its Antibody					
Tab 23	Draft Departmental Submission to accompany report of Dr. Maycock's committee by W.A. Walters	Departmental submission	17.05.71	Summary of report and action steps and draft letters	s.36 Advice to Ministers?	
Tab 24	Advisory Group on Hepatitis – National Surveillance of Immunisation of Infants at Risk of Acquiring Hep B Virus Infection: Protocol	Paper produced by Hepatitis Epidemiology Unit, Central Public Health Laboratory	17.01.85			Not esp relevant
Tab 24	Advisory Group on Hepatitis – Annual Report of the Hepatitis Laboratory by Professor Zuckerman	Annual report	Aug 1985	Annual report for 1984-85 to the Office of the Chief Scientist on the work of the Hepatitis Laboratory		Not esp relevant
Tab 25	Advisory Committee on the National Blood Transfusion Service	Paper	1983?	Description of Blood Products Laboratory and its work – recommendations regarding record keeping etc.		Not esp relevant
Tab 25	Advisory Committee on the National Blood Transfusion Service	Paper	Oct 1985	Independent Autologous Blood Banking		Not esp relevant
Tab 26	Report of the Haemophilia	Report	1978	Deals with hepatitis surveillance of Non A Non B Hepatitis and experiments to prevent virus infection	s.36 FOIA?	Relevant to Hep C issues

	Centre Directors' Hepatitis Working Party 1979 signed by Dr. Craske, Chairman					
Tab 26	Report of the Haemophilia Centre Directors' Hepatitis Working Party 1978 – Appendix B	Report Appendix	20.08.78	Discussion of non-A, non-B Hepatitis experiments with chimpanzees	s.36 FOIA?	Relevant to Hep C issues
Tab 26	Haemophilia Centre Directors' Hepatitis Working Party Report for Year 1980-81	Report	24.09.81	Reference to NANBH surveillance & research & removal of viruses	s.36 FOIA?	Relevant to Hep C issues
Tab 27	Screening of Blood Donations for Anti-HTLV III in Regional Blood Transfusion Centres – Report from the Working Party of the Regional Transfusion Directors' Committee	Report	11.07.81	Mechanics of screening for AIDS	s/36 FOIA?	5 copies all slightly differently addressed
Tab 28	UK Haemophilia Hepatitis Working Party – Trials of "Hepatitis Reduced" Factor VIII Concentrate in the NHS – Assessment of Residual	Paper	22.03.83	Description of a project to assess incidence of NANBH in clinical trial of "hep reduced" Factor VIII	s.36 FOIA?	

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1970	Article from The Lancet entitled "More About Australia Antigen and Hepatitis	Published article	15.08.70			
	Paper on Hepatitis Associated Antigen – Positive Blood Donors by Dr. J. Wallace of Glasgow and West of Scotland Blood Transfusion Service	Paper headed «In confidence »	02.11.70			
	Letter W. d' A Maycock to Mr. Collins PHLS	Letter	14.12.70	Invitation to join Advisory Group on Testing for the Presence of Hep Associated Antigen and its Antibody		
1971	Summary of Results of Testing for Hepatitis Associated Antigen and its Antibody by Glasgow and West of Scotland Blood Transfusion Service		25.02.71	Attached are letters headed London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine with Dr. Zuckerman's name at bottom		
	Paper for SAMO's Meeting 18.3.71	Paper	1971			

	"Testing of Blood Donations for Hepatitis Associated Antigen"					
1972	DHSS Report on "Australia (hepatitis associated) Antigen"		May 1971	Recommendation for institution of routine testing of all blood donations for Australia antigen and its antibody		2 copies
1973	Nothing for this year					
1974	Nothing for this year					
1975	Nothing for this year					
1976	Nothing for this year					
1977	Notice of Meeting on Cytomegalovirus and Blood Transfusion	Agenda	1977	Programme for meeting on 15.6.77		
	WHO Report	Report	4.7.77	Discussion of the problem of viral hepatitis and the fact that new type of hepatitis had been revealed (non A non B)		Relevant to Hep C issue but already public document
1978	Letter Miss Spooner to Haemophilia Centres re Hepatitis Working party	Letter	20.11.78	Request for assistance		
1979	NHS National Blood Transfusion Service Joint Management	Terms of Reference	Feb 1979			

	Committee for the Central Laboratories					
	Letter MRC to Dr. John Craske Re Ad Hoc meeting on Non-A, Non B Hepatitis	Letter	07.02.79	Letter stating "The Chief Scientist of the DHSS has informed the Council that this subject is being given high priority by the Department. Some batches of a commercial product containing Factor IX have been found to transmit this form of hepatitis to chimpanzees and as a result the product has not been given a licence. This is causing considerable anxiety from the point of view of the treatment of patients...." Identifies need for research	s.36 FOIA?	Important document re Hep C
	Letter from Alpha Therapeutic GMBH to DHSS	Letter	27.02.79	Letter re transition from Abbott to Alpha and supply of products (not clear which)	Commercial in confidence?	
	Letter R.S. Lane BPL to Mr. Dutton, DHSS re: Visit of Medicines Inspectorate to BPL	Letter	02.05.79			
	Letter A. Aronstam, Consultant Haematologist to Dr. Craske	Letter	14.05.79	Reports that had not had cases of hepatitis following NHS Factor VIII. Disagreed with suggestion about transfusing mild haemophiliacs with this material		
	DHSS on finance	Note	July 1979			
	Note from Mary Sibellas, Senior Medical Officer to Dr. Geffen re Advisory Group on Viral Hepatitis	Departmental Minute	18.07.79			

	Note T. Geffen to Dr. Evans re Advisory Group on Viral Hepatitis	Departmental Minute	24.07.79	Attached summary of problems with hepatitis including possible hazards of the use of blood and blood products		Further copy
	Letter PHLS to Dr. Geffen re: establ proposed Advisory Group on Hepatitis	Letter	7.8.79			
	Minute T Geffen to Dr. Evans re Advisory Group on Hepatitis	Departmental Minute	06.11.79			
1980	Note on European Directive on Liability for Defective Products – Proposal to Exclude the Transfusion Service from Strict Liability for the adverse effects of its products – by HH Gunson, RS Lane and TA Wood	Paper	March 1980	“The imposition of strict liability on the Transfusion Service will undermine the relationships of donor and doctor, and those of the professions and the Department of Health, which finances the Service. It will eventually destroy the NBTS as we know it.”	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter J. Craske to Dr. PJ Green	Letter	18.3.80	Re incidence of chronic hepatitis	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Invest in Britain Bureau to Mr. D. Weston DHSS plus papers attached	Letter plus attached papers	04.08.80	Re: Alpha Therapeutic GMBH – enclosing other papers, one of which is a minute from EJ Nightingale to DHSS officials stating “Mr. Jones has also advised that although at the present time we import more Factor VIII than we can make this situation should change in time as the UK are signatories to the WHO agreement that all	s.36 FOIA? Commercial in confidence papers?	

				countries should be self-sufficient.		
	Minute re: Advisory Group on Hepatitis from Miss Sowerby to Mr. Godfrey	Departmental Minute plus Note	15.10.80	Minute enclosing note on Hepatitis Advisory Group – makes clear that little knowledge about causative agents for NANBH	s.36 FOIA?	
	Transcript of TV interview – World in Action – The Blood Business	Transcript	22.12.80	Discussion of risks of hepatitis and reference to material that has been prepared elsewhere possibly carrying a much higher risks of infection	Public doc	
1981	Written Answer on Incidence of Hep A and B - England	Written Answer to PQ	27.01.81	Figures for incidence of Hep A and B	Public doc	
	Minute from EL Harris to Professor Buller re: NRDC: Diagnostic Tests for Hepatitis	Departmental Minute and attached correspondence	10.02.81		s.36 FOIA? Commercial in confidence?	
	Minute from S. Yuille of DHSS Terms of Reference for the Blood Products Laboratory	Departmental Minute and terms of reference	Aug 81		s.36 FOIA?	
1982	Minute from S Godfrey to Dr. Harris re: Blood Products Laboratory: RIA test	Departmental Minute & draft letter attached	17.11.82		s.36 FOIA? Commercial in confidence?	
1983	PHLS letter re: Trials of Hepatitis Reduced Factor VIII	Draft letter	22.03.85			

	Protocol for the Study of Heat-Treated Factorate in Long Term Treatment of Haemophilia by Revlon Health Care (UK) Ltd	Protocol for clinical trial	May 1983	Relevant to heat treated Factor VIII	Commercial in confidence?	
	Letter WPN Armour to Mr. P. Winstanley, DHSS re: AIDS	Letter	31.08.83	Re: setting up of ad hoc Working Group on AIDS	s.36 FOIA?	
	Media report in The Times – New strain of hepatitis isolated	Article	12.11.83	Article on NANBH	Public doc	
	Article in BMJ – “Acquired immunodeficiency syndrome, hepatitis and haemophilia”	Article	10.12.83	Article on AIDS, hepatitis and haemophilia	Public doc	
	Article in BMJ – “Non A non B hepatitis after transfusion of Factor VIII in infrequently treated patients”	Article	10.12.83	Article on NANBH after transfusion of Factor VIII – notes the commonest form of hepatitis after Factor VIII transfusion is NANBH – study with chimpanzees and follow up of patients to establish incidence of hepatitis among infrequently treated patients with haemophilia	Public doc	
1984	Letter Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service to Professor Bloom, Department of Haematology, Univ Hospital of	Letter	17.02.84	Re: clinical studies on heat treated Factor VIII	s.36 FOIA?	

	Wales					
	Letter Welsh National School of Medicine to Dr. Rizza	Letter	12.03.84	Re: assessment of "hepatitis reduced" concentrates	s.36 FOIA?	
	Memorandum from Oxford Haemophilia Centre to all UK Haemophilia Centre Directors	Memorandum	29.03.84	Re: trials of Hepatitis Reduced Factor VIII – An Update		
	Minute ME Abrams to Dr. Smithies	Departmental Minute	25.06.84	Minute enclosing note in Nature on AIDS test (no note attached)	s.36 FOIA?	
	National Blood Transfusion Service (Mr. ID Fraser) letter to Dr. Smithies	Letter	16.07.84	Letter re AIDS screening test – DHSS should set up urgently a working party on AIDS as when screening test is generally available will be numerous problems to sort out.	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Dr. Abrams re: AIDS – Development of Diagnostic Test for HTLV III	Departmental Minute	27.07.84	Minute re: AIDS screening	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute RL Cunningham to Dr. Smithies	Departmental Minute	31.07.84	Minute re: AIDS screening	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute A C Marriott to Mr. Parker	Departmental Minute	02.08.84	Minute re: AIDS screening	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Dr. Abrams to Assistant Secretary for Health, Dr. Brandt, USA	Letter	10.08.84	Letter re: HTLV III and development of screening tests for antibodies	s.36 FOIA?	
	Morbidity and	US article	14.12.84	Article on Hepatitis B Vaccine: Evidence	Public doc	

	Mortality Weekly Report			Confirming Lack of AIDS Transmission		
	Letter Richard Tedder of Middlesex Hospital Medical School to Dr. Smithies of DHSS	Letter	18.12.84	Re: research and development of AIDS virus screening of blood donors	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Travenol Laboratories to Mr. Palmer, DHSS	Letter	19.12.84	Re: In Vitro Diagnostic Kit	Commercial in confidence?	

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	National Blood Transfusion Service Guidance for the Selection, Medical Examination and Care of Blood Donors	Policy guidance document	Revd 1985	Section on hepatitis		
	Flow chart for Introduction of Anti-HTLV3/LAV	Flow chart	1985			
Jan 85	National Blood Transfusion Service Advice document on AIDS and blood donation	Booklet	Jan 1985			
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Mr. Kennedy on "Research and Development of Tests for HTLV III Antibodies"	Departmental Minute and attached paper and correspondence	02.01.85	Research and development of AIDS screening of blood donors – funding of evaluation studies	s.36 FOIA?	
	Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report "Provisional	Article	11.01.85	Article on AIDS screening of blood	Public doc	

	Public Health Service Inter-Agency Recommendations for Screening Donated Blood and Plasma for Antibody to the Virus causing AIDS					
	Minute RWB Allen to Dr. Smithies	Departmental Minute	16.01.85	Regarding evaluation programme on screening systems for AIDS markers	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Dr. Smithies to RWB Allen	Departmental Minute	21.01.85	Regarding evaluation programme on screening systems for AIDS markers	s.36 FOIA?	2 copies, one marked
	RWB Allen, DHSS to Dr. James L Liverman, Litton Industries, USA	Letter	21.01.85	Letter enquiring regarding selling of diagnostic material in UK		
	Letter GV Thorne DHSS to Travenol Laboratories	Letter & draft certificate	24.01.85	Letter regarding AIDS in vitro diagnostic kit	Commercial in confidence?	
	Letter Wellcome Diagnostics to Mr. Allen, DHSS	Letter	29.01.85	Letter re marketing of AIDS test and submission of product for evaluation	Commercial in confidence?	
	Letter British Laboratory Ware to Mr. Allen, DHSS	Letter enclosing further letter	29.01.85	Letter re performance of screening test systems	Commercial in confidence?	
	Draft note on evaluation of HTLV III kits by DA Kennedy	Draft note	30.01.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Mr. Allen to Dr. Philip at	Letter	31.01.85	Re evaluation of AIDS tests	Commercial in confidence?	

	Travenol Laboratories					
	CCBC Newsletter (US)	Newsletter	01.01.85		Public doc	2 copies
Feb 85	Memorandum re: AIDS from RDO	Memorandum	01.02.85			
	Letter from Ortho Diagnostic Systems to Mr. Allen	Letter	01.02.85	Letter re info on AIDS screening tests	Commercial in confidence?	
	Letter J. Darnborough of National Blood Transfusion Service to Dr. Smithies DHSS	Letter	05.02.85	Preventative Action against Transmission of AIDS through blood donations – leaflets	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter PHLS to Mr. D.A. Kennedy DHSS	Letter	06.02.85	Letter re: control of anti-HTLV 3 testing	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Abbott Laboratories Ltd Diagnostics Division to Mr. Allen, DHSS	Letter	06.02.85	Letter re evaluation of AIDS screening tests and providing information about product	Commercial in confidence?	
	Handwritten notes of meeting written by DA Kennedy	Notes of meeting	13.02.85	Evaluation of HTLV III kits		
	Article in BMJ on New Hepatitis B Vaccines by A. J. Zuckerman	Article	16.02.85		Public doc	
	Letter from Department of Health and Human Services, FDA, USA	Letter	19.02.85	Re: FDA licensing of AIDS screening tests		
	Letter Philip	Letter	21.02.85	Draft proposal for preliminary and field	s.36 FOIA?	

	Mortimer of PHLS to Mr. D.A. Kennedy, DHSS			evaluation of commercial kits for detecting anti HTLV 3		
	Letter from John Cash, Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service to Miss E A Griffiths, DHSS	Letter	25.02.85	Letter enclosing a draft letter to Lancet		
	Minute D.A. Kennedy to Dr. Smithies	Departmental minute enclosing final submission	27.02.85	Minute enclosing final submission on anti-HTLV III kit evaluation	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Peter Lister DHSS to Dr. Gordon Dale, Newcastle General Hospital	Letter	28.02.85	Letter re possibility of unknowing inclusion of AIDS positive material in batches of quality assurance serum pools.	s.36 FOIA?	
Mar 85	Morbidity & Mortality Weekly Report – Suboptimal Response to Hep B Vaccine given by injection in buttock	Article	01.03.85		Public doc	
	Letter Dr. Smithies DHSS re AIDS – Laboratory Tests for Antibody to AIDS Related Virus	Draft letter	04.03.85	Re formation of ad hoc group to evaluate AIDS screening kits	s. 36 FOIA?	
	Letter DA Kennedy to Miss Sarah Sparrow, Abbott Laboratories	Letter	05.03.85	Re obtaining of FDA licence	Commercial in confidence?	

	Draft test protocol for the evaluation of commercial kits for AIDs related virus antibody screening	Test protocol	08.03.85			
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Dr. Harris re: Introduction of Test to AIDS related Antibody	Departmental minute	11.03.85		s.36 FOIA?	2 copies
	Handwritten minute from Peter Lister to Mr. Kennedy re meeting with Dupont re: HTLV III antibody screening kits	Minute	13.03.85		s.36 FOIA?	2 copies
	Note by D.A. Kennedy	Notes	13.03.85	Comments on protocol and funding submission on evaluation of AIDS screening kits	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute from Dr. Smithies to Dr. Abrams and Mr. Harris attaching Draft letter to Chairmen of Regional Transfusion Directors	Minute and draft letter	14.03.85		s.36 FOIA?	2 copies
	Minute from Dr. Smithies to Dr. Abrams re: AIDS test in Newcastle	Minute and draft letter	15.03.85	Note that other correspondence also attached and press reports	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Mr.	Minute	18.03.85	Re comments on protocol and setting up ad hoc panel	s.36 FOIA?	

	Kennedy on Stage 2 Evaluations on Anti-HTLV III kits at BTCS					
	Letter Dr Harris DCMO, DHSS to Dr. Whitehead, PHLS	Letter	19.03.85	Letter re Screening Test for AIDS antibody	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter from Health Services Research Centre, Birmingham to Dr. Smithies	Letter	22.03.85	Commenting on protocol for evaluation of AIDs screening tests	s.36 FOIA?	
	Draft Protocol for the DHSS Evaluation of Anti-HTLV III kits at the PHLS laboratory, Colindale	Protocol	26.03.85			
	Letter D.A. Kennedy to Travenol Laboratories	Letter	26.03.85	Evaluation of Anti-HTLV III kits	s.36 FOIA? Commercial in confidence?	
	Letter D.A. Kennedy to Mercia-Brocades Ltd	Letter	26.03.85	Evaluation of Anti-HTLV III kits	s.36 FOIA? Commercial in confidence?	
	Letter D.A. Kennedy to Wellcome Diagnostics	Letter	26.03.85	Evaluation of Anti-HTLV III kits	s.36 FOIA? Commercial in confidence?	
	Letter D.A. Kennedy to Dr. Richard Tedder, Middlesex Hospital Medical	Letter	26.03.85	Evaluation of Anti-HTLV III kits	s.36 FOIA?	

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	Letter D.A. Kennedy to Electronicleronics Inc	Letter	26.03.85	Evaluation of Anti-HTLV III kits	s.36 FOIA? Commercial in confidence?	
	Letter D.A. Kennedy to Organon Teknika Ltd	Letter	26.03.85	Evaluation of Anti-HTLV III kits	s.36 FOIA? Commercial in confidence?	
	Letter D.A. Kennedy to Ortho Diagnostic Systems Ltd	Letter	26.03.85	Evaluation of Anti-HTLV III kits	s.36 FOIA? Commercial in confidence?	
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Mr. Kennedy	Departmental minute	28.03.85	Evaluation of Anti-HTLV III kits	s.36 FOIA?	2 copies
Apr 85	Handwritten Minute by Peter Lister to Dr. Smithies enclosing draft letter	Departmental minute and draft letter	02.04.85	Evaluation of Anti-HTLV III kits	s.36 FOIA?	
	Handwritten Minute by Peter Lister to Dr. Smithies enclosing draft press release	Departmental minute and draft press release	02.04.85	Evaluation of Anti-HTLV III kits	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Dr. Harris, DCMO to PHLS	Letter	09.04.85	Provision by the PHLS of Facilities for Testing for HTLV III Antibody	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Haemophilia Society to USoS, DHSS	Letter	12.04.85	Re: heat treatment by BPL of all Factor VIII product		
	Letter PHLS to Dr. Harris	Letter	15.04.85	PHLS facilities for testing HTLV3 antibody	s.36 FOIA?	
May 1985	Appendix Anti-	Appendix to	c. May			

	HTLV Testing in USE, Australia and Europe	report?	1985			
	Letter HH Gunson, Director of National Blood Transfusion Service to Regional Transfusion Directors	Letter	08.05.85	Re: Trial of anti-HTLV III Tests in NBTS		
	Minute Dr. Harris to Mr. Murray re: AIDS Overview	Minute and Overview	03.05.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Dr. Abrams re AIDS Screening Test	Departmental minute	20.05.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Dr. Harris to Dr. Whitehead, PHLS	Letter	31.05.85	Re: PHLS Facilities for Testing for HTLV 3 Antibody Notes importance that Ministers and DHSS attach		

File entitled Hepatitis – Discovery Documents Produced by J Keith Park and Ross & Co: Correspondence Jun-Dec 1985 re: HIV Haemophilia Litigation

Doc No./ref	DOCUMENT NAME	DOCUMENT TYPE	DATE	RELEVANCE/IMPORTANCE	FOI/DPA/LPP ISSUES	OTHER COMMENTS
May 1985	Minute Dr. Smithies to Dr. Harris re: PHLS Evaluation of Diagnostic Kits	Departmental minute	03.06.85	Comments on withdrawal of material by manufacturers from evaluation and lack of confidence by manufacturers in reagents performance re : AIDS screening kits – causing delay solely as a result of manufacturers	s.36 FOIA?	
Jun 1985	Document entitled Introduction of Anti HTLV3/LAV Testing in UK Laboratories – by PP Mortimer, Virus Reference Laboratory, PHLS Colindale	Paper plus flow chart	June 85	Paper presenting programme for introduction during July to October 1985 of anti HTLV/LAV testing in all BTS laboratories and public health laboratories	s.36 FOIA?	
	Handwritten chart entitled DMRQC Panel I – Anti-HTLV III/LAV tests	Statistics	Jun 85	Results of evaluation of AIDS screening kits	Commercial in confidence?	
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Mr. Oates, CMO's office	Minute	06.06.85	Update on letter to doctors being drafted	s.36 FOIA?	
	Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report "Recommendations for Protection Against Viral Hepatitis"	Article	07.06.85	Article including reference to NANBH	Public doc	

	WHO Report on Meeting in Munich 11-13 June 1985 – “Viral Hepatitis in Europe – Further Trends and Targets”	Report	Jun 85	Useful info on state of knowledge re NANBH & lack of specific tests for it. Exclusion based diagnosis.	Public doc	
	Note for Advisory Group on Hepatitis on Use of Normal Immunoglobulin for Prophylaxis of Hepatitis A seeking members’ views	Note/paper for Advisory Group attaching WHO recommendation	1985			
	Letter HH Gunson, Director National Blood Transfusion Service to Dr. Rogers, Director South London Blood Transfusion Centre	Letter	26.06.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Document entitled Quarter End June 1986 – Testing of Blood Donors for Australia Antigen and its Antibody	Statistics	Jun 85			
Jul 85	Faculty of Community Medicine Guidelines for Health Promotion Number 6 Hepatitis B	Guidelines	Jul 85			
	Draft document regarding Introduction of Anti-HTLV III Screening Tests and summarising proposed scheme	Paper	Jul 85			
	Letter Dr. Smithies, DHSS to Dr. Cash Director, Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service	Letter	03.07.85	Re: standardization of Reference Centre results for Anti-HTLV III tests	s.36 FOIA?	
	Article in The Lancet “Transmission of Non-A Non B Hepatitis by Heat-Treated Factor VIII Concentrate	Article	06.07.85	Relevant to state of knowledge of Hep C and transmission by heat treated Factor VIII	Public doc	
	Bundle of correspondence with Dr. Rinsler, Registrar, Royal College of Pathologists	Letters and 1 article from BMJ	Jul 1985	Article from BMJ dated 20.07.85 that only heat treated concentrates should be used since it may protect from HTLV-III infection but heat treatment has not, so far,	Article is public doc. Letters – s.36 FOIA?	

				been shown to eradicate hepatitis viruses.		
	Minute of Central Blood Laboratories Authority from Dr. Gunson on Quality Control and Assurance	Minute	15.07.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter CW France to Mr. R. D. Smart, Chairman, Central Blood Laboratories Authority	Letter	23.07.85	Re: Redevelopment of Blood Products Laboratory, Elstree	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Mr. Smart to CW France in reply	Letter	28.07.85		s.36 FOIA?	
Aug 85	DHSS Press Release on First Results of AIDS Screening Test	Press Release	01.08.85	Notes first stage of evaluation of commercially available test kits now completed	Public doc	3 copies
	Letter K. Rogers Director National Blood Transfusion Service to Dr. J. Kemp, Blood Transfusion Unit, Lewisham Hospital re AIDS testing	Letter	05.08.85	Enclosing Letter to all Regional Transfusion Directors from DHSS and press release - no significant problems in meeting deadline for introduction of screening of 14.10.85	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute R.T. Rogers to Dr. Smithies	Departmental minute attaching note of meeting on 13.08.85	[?] Aug 85	Re: Meeting with Abbotts	Commercial in confidence? s.36 FOIA?	
	WHO Summary Report of Meeting on Viral Hepatitis in Europe – Further Trends and Targets	Summary Report	15.08.85	Useful analysis of state of knowledge re: Hep C as at June 85	Public doc	
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Mr. R.T. Rogers	Departmental minute	19.08.85	Re: Meeting with Abbotts	Commercial in confidence? s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Alun J. Williams, DHSS to all Regional Transfusion Directors	Letter to Regional Transfusion Directors	22.08.85	Re: Screening Tests for HTLV III Antibody		
	Press Release re: Date Set for AIDS Screening Tests	Press Release	23.08.85		Public doc	

	Letter from Alun Williams to Dr. Entwistle, Regional Transfusion Director, John Radcliffe Hospital	Letter	29.08.85	Re Screening Test for HTLV III Antibody	s.36 FOIA?	
	Draft letter re: Introduction of Screening Tests for HTLV III Antibody	Draft letter (intended to go to Regional Transfusion Directors?)	29.08.85			2 copies
	Letter HH Gunson, Director National Blood Transfusion Service to Mr. A. Williams, DHSS re: Introduction of Screening Tests for HTLV III Antibody	Letter	30.08.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter J. Darnborough of National Blood Transfusion Service to Mr. Alun J. Williams, DHSS re: introduction of AIDS testing	Letter	30.08.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter AK Collins, Director of National Blood Transfusion Service to Mr. Alun J. Williams, DHSS re: introduction of AIDS testing	Letter	30.08.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Dr. F.A. Ala of National Blood Transfusion Service to Mr. Alun J. Williams, DHSS re: introduction of AIDS testing	Letter	30.08.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Dr. F.M. Roberts of National Blood Transfusion Service to Mr. Alun J. Williams, DHSS re: introduction of AIDS testing	Letter	30.08.85		s.36 FOIA?	
Sep 85	Paper of DHSS Scientific and Technical Branch: Public Health Laboratory Service and DHSS Evaluation of Five Commercial Anti-HTLV III/LAV Assay Kits	Paper	Sep 85		Commercial in Confidence? Is reference to lot of commercial info in this report.	
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Dr. Hunt re "Delayed AIDS Testing"	Minute and attached article	02.09.85	Encloses letter to New Scientist by Medical Director of NBTS, Cardiff	s.36 FOIA? Article is public doc	
	Handwritten letter by GRO-A to Dr.	Letter and	13.09.85	Letter of concern from patient		2 copies

	Donald Acheson	attached article		with Christmas disease regarding UK self-sufficiency and importation of Factors VIII and IX		
	Letter Donald Acheson, DHSS to all District medical Officers	Letter	23.09.85	Re: local arrangements for AIDS testing outside the NBTS		
	DHSS Press Release – “The Fight Against AIDS – More Government Money”	Press Release	26.09.85		Public doc	
	Document entitled Quarter End Sep 85 – Testing of Blood Donors for Australia Antigen and its antibody	Statistics	Sep 85			
Oct 85	DHSS Booklet on AIDS – Information for Doctors Concerning the Introduction of the HTLV III Antibody Test	Booklet	Oct 85		Public doc	2 copies
	Note to Advisory Committee to the National Blood Transfusion Service – AIDS – NBTS Aspects	Note for Committee	Oct 85			
	Dear Doctor letter from Donald Acheson re: Introduction of a Test for HTLV III Antibody	Letter	01.10.85		Public doc	
	Letter K. Rogers National Blood Transfusion Service to All Haematologists	Letter	02.10.85	Re: arrangements for AIDS testing		
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Mr. P. Lister re: HTLV III Antibody Kits Evaluation	Departmental Minute	09.10.85	No need for further evaluation of kits	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Dr. Derrick Tovey, Director Yorkshire RHA National Blood Transfusion Service to Dr. Smithies, DHSS	Letter	28.10.85	All blood products now HTLV III tested.	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Dr. Smithies, DHSS to Mr. A. Williams re: letter from Dr. Darnborough	Departmental Minute	28.10.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Dr. F.M. Roberts, Director National Blood Transfusion Service to Dr. Smithies, DHSS	Letter	28.10.85		s.36 FOIA?	2 copies

	Letter J. Darnborough to Dr. Smithies re: Anti-HTLV III Antibody Testing	Letter	28.10.85		s.36 FOIA?	2 copies
	Letter Dr. Marcela Contreras to Dr. Smithies re: Anti-HTLV III Antibody Testing	Letter	29.10.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter D.S. Smith to Dr. Smithies re: Anti-HTLV III Antibody Testing	Letter	29.10.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Dr. H. Boralessa to Dr. Smithies re: Anti-HTLV III Antibody Testing	Letter	29.10.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Dr. F.A. Ala to Dr. Smithies re: Anti-HTLV III Antibody Testing	Letter	29.10.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Dr. Wagstaff to Dr. Smithies re: Anti-HTLV III Antibody Testing	Letter	30.10.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter I D Fraser to Dr. Smithies re: Anti-HTLV III Antibody Testing	Letter	31.10.85		s.36 FOIA?	
Nov 85	PHLS letter to Dr. Acheson, CMO	Letter	19.11.85			
	Draft letter from N. Pettet to all Regional Transfusion Directors re: Factor VIII Supply: Christmas and New Year 1985/6	Draft letter	25.11.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute from Dr. Smithies, DHSS to Ms. K. Doran re: Heat Treated Factor VIII	Departmental minute	28.11.85	Important document – concerns over whether heat treated Factor VIII was transmitting HTLV III	s.36 FOIA?	
	Information regarding Abbott and its application to produce AIDS test kit	Information from commercial company about licensing of its product	?		Commercial in confidence?	
Dec 85	Letter PHLS to Dr. Meers re: HTLV III Serotesting by PHLS – enclosing return of testing done to date	Letter & statistics	03.12.85		s.36 FOIA?	

File entitled Hepatitis – Discovery Documents Produced by J Keith Park and Ross & Co: Correspondence 1986-1988 (incl. undated correspondence)

Doc No./ref	DOCUMENT NAME	DOCUMENT TYPE	DATE	RELEVANCE/IMPORTANCE	FOI/DPA/LPP ISSUES	OTHER COMMENTS
1986	Minute from Dr. Alison Smithies, Principal Medical Officer to Mr. O'Connor and others	Minute & draft press release	8.1.86	Analysis of blood donations screened for HTLV III antibody since 14.10.85 and incidence of positive results	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Peter Lister to Dr. Smithies	Letter	10.01.86	Seeking meeting of ad hoc group on evaluation of screening kits for HTLV III/LAV antibody	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter D A Kennedy DHSS to Dr. Bonowitz, USA	Letter	04.02.86	Re evaluation of AIDS screening tests		
	Handwritten minute Peter Lister to Dr. Skinner and Dr. Smithies	Minute	?	Repeatable HTLV III antibody – ? positivies found in the BTS		
	Letter and paper from PHLS to Mr. Kennedy of DHSS	Letter and paper	01.05.86	Paper intended for The Lancet « How sensitive are the commercial assays for anti HTLV III/LAV ? »		
	Extract from Nature Vol 323	Journal extract	04.09.86	Blood products : Hepatitis screening extended - Washington		
1987	Draft letter from National Blood Transfusion Service West Midlands RHA	Letters to blood donors	1987	Reference to AIDS		
1988	National Blood Transfusion Service Policy on Selection of Donors – effective date 01.01.89	Policy document	Nov 1988	Policy on selection of blood donors		
Undated documents	Paper on “Risk of Contracting Factor VIII Associated Non-A, Non-B Hepatitis after First Exposure to Large Pool Concentrates – Implications for trials of Hepatitis Reduced Factor VIII and IX” by J. Craske	Paper	Post 1982	Reference to high risk of contracting NANBH with first exposure to Factor VIII concentrates No methods for assaying infectivity of preparations containing NANBH viruses other than by chimpanzee	s.36 FOIA?	Relevant to Hep C issues

				inoculation		
	Evaluation of Kits for the Detection of the Antibody to Human T-Cell Lymphotropic Virus Type III (Anti-HTLV III)	Report?		Short report on evaluation of screening kits for AIDS	Commercial in confidence	
	US Department of Health and Human Services FDA – Dear Doctor letter	Dear Doctor Letter and attachment		Dear Doctor letter regarding screening using ELISA technology for detecting HTLV-III antibodies soon to be licensed by FDA		
	Study of Blood Donations Found Repeatedly Positive in the Blood Transfusion Service	Note of study plan and attached study plan	1986?	Study to assess current confirmatory methodology used for donations found repeatedly anti HTLV III positive by screening tests at RTCs Includes section on “Attempts to Develop Seriological Tests for Non-A non B hepatitis”		Relevant to Hep C issue
	Undated, partial papers on AIDS and NANBH – appears US in origin	?	? (post 1983)	In 3 parts		
	Blood Transfusion Service Appendix 4	Report	1987/88?	West Midlands Regional Health Authority – Operational Programme 1984/5 to 1986/7 – Regionally Managed Services Blood Transfusion Service		
	HTLV III Antibody Test: Blood Donors	Draft letter to Lancet and BMJ	?			
	Document entitled Notes on Transfusion	Document giving clinical advice on transfusion	?	Contains statement “Very similar illnesses can also be caused by other viruses including the so-called “non-A non-B” viruses. The latter are also transmissible by transfusion, but as yet no specific laboratory tests have been developed to identify them. The incubation period is also variable extending up to 70 days or more. The clinical course may be acute or		

				chronic leading to cirrhosis or both.		
	Further extract from document above?		?	Deals with plasma separation from whole blood donations		
	Draft Paper on Testing of Blood Donations for Hepatitis Associated Antigen	Draft paper plus further documents	Appears likely to be a 1970 ish document	Attached to this document is a paper setting out proposals by HH Gunson and DBL McClelland on UK RTC HTLV III Antibody Test Evaluation and a Draft Press Release regarding First Results of Screening Blood For Aids – clearly 1985/86 documents		
	Summary of Policy Relating to the Prevention and Control of Viral Hepatitis	Paper	? – possibly 1977 ish	Relates to Hep B only		

B. Blackett Hart and Pratt Solicitors returned documents

File entitled HIV Haemophiliacs Litigation: Department of Health Volume 1 1970-1977

Doc No./ref	DOCUMENT NAME	DOCUMENT TYPE	DATE	RELEVANCE/IMPORTANCE	FOI/DPA/LPP ISSUES	OTHER COMMENTS
	Note of a meeting to discuss the problem of Hepatitis Associated Antigen in relation to Blood Transfusion and associated matters	Note of meeting	20.07.70		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Rosemary Biggs, Oxford Haemophilia Centre to Mr. Bebb re: Meeting of Haemophilia Centre Directors	Letter, agenda and paper on Jaundice and Factor VIII Antibodies in Treated Patients with Haemophilia and Christmas Disease	08.03.71			
	Bundle of correspondence between BOB Gidden DHSS and MH Winterton, Medical Research Council	Correspondence and note of a meeting on future of BPL on 15.6.72	Jul 72	Re: Blood Products Laboratory and Blood Group Reference Laboratory	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter A.E. Turner of MRC to B O B Gidden, DHSS	Letter	11.09.72	Letter and paper for arrangements for BPL	s.36 FOIA?	
	Paper on organization of the National Blood Transfusion Service	Paper	24.08.71			2 copies
	Letter from GE Godber, CMO to all Senior Administrative Medical Officers re: Trends in Treatment of Haemophilia	Letter	06.03.73			
	Minute from B O B Gidden to Mr. John – Trends in Treatment of Haemophilia	Departmental Minute	13.03.73		s.36 FOIA?	

	Note of a meeting of Expert Group on the Treatment of Haemophilia held at DHSS on 20.03.73	Note of meeting	20.03.73	Reference to aim to become self-sufficient	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minutes of a Joint Meeting of Directors of Haemophilia Centres and Blood Transfusion Directors held at Regional Blood Transfusion Centre Sheffield	Minutes of meeting	31.01.74		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute A G Beard to Mr. Fanning re: Intravenous Infusions: Action following the Clothier Report	Departmental Minute	17.01.74		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute DU Jackson to Mr. Campbell re: Plasma for the Preparation of Antihaemophiliac Globulin (AHG) Concentrate	Departmental Minute	14.02.74		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute J. Campbell to Mr. Lawrence re: AHG Concentrate	Departmental Minute	20.02.74		s.36 FOIA?	
	Extract from Minute of 21.02.74	Extract from Meeting Minute	?			
	Minute from RPCU to Mr. P.W.D. Lawrence re: Haemophilia: AHG Concentrate	Departmental Minute	28.02.74		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute B O B Gidden to Mr. C G Taylor re: Blood Products	Departmental Minute	07.03.74		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute RPCU2 to B O B Gidden re: Blood Products	Departmental Minute	13.03.74		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute B O B Gidden to Mr. C G Taylor re: Blood Products	Departmental Minute	11.04.74		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Mr. C.G. Taylor to B O B Gidden re: Blood Products	Departmental Minute	19.04.74		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Mr. W. d'A Maycock to Dr. Scott, Trent RHA re: provision of plasma for Factor VIII concentrate	Letter and Dr. Scott's letter	21.05.74		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minutes of 22 nd Meeting of Managing Committee for the Blood Products and Blood Group	Minutes of meeting	16.07.74		s.36 FOIA?	

	Reference Laboratories					
	Paper on Optimum Use of Factor VIII Preparations at present available in UK	Paper	Sep 74		s.36 FOIA?	
	Paper on The Supply of Preparations Containing Factor VIII	Paper	01.10.74			
	Minutes of the Meeting of the Expert Group on the Treatment of Haemophilia	Minutes of meeting	11.10.74		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute JCC Smith to B O B Gidden re: Blood Products	Departmental Minute	15.10.74		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Sheila Waiter to B O B Gidden re: Blood Products Production	Departmental Minute	16.10.74		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute LH Brandes to Mr. Jordan-Moss	Departmental Minute	16.10.74		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute D U Jackson to ? re: Blood Products Production	Departmental Minute and attached paper	18.11.74		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute B O B Gidden to Mr. Campbell re: BPL Estimates	Departmental Minute	15.11.74		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter DHSS to Regional Administrators re: Blood Products Production	Letter	24.12.74	Relevant to ability to meet demand for blood products		
	Minutes of Third Special Meeting of Regional Transfusion Directors	Minutes of meeting	19.02.75		s.36 FOIA?	
	Paper for Central Committee for the National Blood Transfusion Service – Factor VIII in the Treatment of Haemophilia	Paper	c. 01.03.75	Ref to self-sufficiency		
	Written Answer to PQ on yield of Factor VIII	PQ	06.03.75		Public doc	
	Letter DHSS to Regional Health Authorities on Anti-Haemophiliac Globulin Concentrate	Letter	21.03.75			
	Written Answer to PQ re Factor VIII	PQ	22.04.75	States hope to become self-	Public doc	

				sufficient in Factor VIII within 2-3 yrs		
	Written Answer to PQ re cost of Factor VIII	PQ	22.04.75	£500,000 spent on purchase from commercial firms of imported Factor VII between Nov 73 and Mar 75	Public doc	
	DHSS Circular HSC (IS) 144 – Application of Medicines Act 1968 to Health Authorities – Blood Transfusion Service	Circular	May 1975		Public doc	
	Letter West Midlands RHA to Mr. Jackson re: Antihaemophilic Globulin Concentrate	Letter	16.07.75			
	BPL Report to Blood Products and Blood Group Reference Laboratory Managing Committee prepared by W D'A Maycock (redacted)	Report	Aug 1975		s.36 FOIA?	
	Article in The Lancet on An Outbreak of Hepatitis Associated with Intravenous Injection of Factor VIII Concentrate	Article	02.08.75		Public doc	
	Minute W D'A Maycock to Dr. Waiter	Departmental minute	06.08.75		s.36 FOIA?	
	Second Report of the Advisory Group on Testing for the Presence of Hep B Surface Antigen and its Antibody	Report	Sep 75		s.36 FOIA?	
	Written Answer to PQ	PQ	14.10.75		Public doc	
	Central Committee for the National Blood Transfusion Service - Minutes of a Meeting (redacted)	Minutes of meeting	16.10.75		s.36 FOIA?	
	Statistics Factor VIII Available Jan-Jun 76	Statistics	02.08.76			
	Minute D U Jackson to Mr. Draper	Departmental minute	23.10.75		s.36 FOIA?	
	Illegible letter G E John to ? re:	Letter	31.10.75			

	Blood Products					
	Draft letter to Mr. B.L. Steer, Travenol Laboratories Ltd	Draft letter	Oct 75		Commercial in confidence?	
	Minute M W Draper to to Dr. Waiter	Departmental minute	15.10.75		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute W D'A Maycock to Dr. Waiter	Departmental minute	15.10.75		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Dr. Waiter to W D'A Maycock	Departmental minute	14.10.75		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Travenol Laboratories Ltd to Dr. Sheila Waiter	Letter	06.10.75		Commercial in confidence?	
	Minute R.A. Tennard? To Mr. Jones	Departmental minute	06.01.75		s.36 FOIA	
	Minute W D'A Maycock to Dr. Waiter re Fresh Plasma for AHG Concentrate	Departmental minute and attached returns	14.01.76		s.36 FOIA?	
	DHSS Circular HC(76)4 "Health Services Development Arrangements for the Care of Person Suffering from Haemophilia and Related Conditions"	Circular	Feb 76		Public doc	
	Minutes of a Meeting of the Expert Group on the Treatment of Haemophilia and Allied Conditions	Minutes of meeting	04.05.76		s.36 FOIA?	
	Annex – Terms of Reference for original Joint Steering Committee agreed between DHSS and SHHD on 08.02.73	Terms of reference	?			
	Minute T E Dutton to Dr Maycock on Coordinated Blood Product Production and Utilisation Programme	Departmental minute	15.06.76		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute T E Dutton to Mr. D. C. Liddle re: AHG Concentrate	Departmental minute	20.02.76		s.36 FOIA?	
	DHSS Press Release "UK Aims to be Self-Sufficient in Supply of	Press Release	29.04.76		Public doc	

	Blood Products"					
	Minute RP Cleasby to Mr. Dutton on Coordinated Blood Product Production	Departmental minute	18.06.76		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter A.T. Cumming to G.M. Bailey BPL	Letter	July 1976			
	Minute T.E. Dutton to Mr. Cumming re: Preparation of All AHG Concentrate in Small Containers	Departmental Minute	16.07.76		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute D.C. Liddle to Mr. Dutton	Departmental Minute	22.07.76		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Sheila Waiter to Mr. Dutton on Factor VIII Supplies	Departmental minute	12.08.76		s.36 FOIA?	
	BPL Report to the Advisory Committee on the Blood Products and Blood Group Reference Laboratory of the Central Committee of the NBTS –1976 (redacted)	Report	27.07.76			
	Letter Dr. Maycock to Dr. Blood, University Hospital Cardiff re: AHG Concentrate	Letter	21.09.76		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Dr. Maycock to Dr. Biggs	Letter	28.09.76		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Sheila Waiter to Mr. Dutton	Departmental minute	30.09.76		s.36 FOIA?	
	Central Committee for the NBTS – The requirement for blood products and their availability Note by the Joint Secretaries	Paper	Oct 76		s.36 FOIA?	
	Central Committee for the NBTS Sub-Committee of the Central Laboratories – Minutes of Meeting (redacted)	Minutes of meeting	07.10.76		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute T. E. Dutton to Mr. Draper re: Factor VIII supplies	Departmental minute	13.10.76		s.36 FOIA?	

	Good Manufacturing Practice for Blood and Blood Products	Paper	02.11.76			
	Central Committee for the NBTS Minutes of a Meeting (readacted)	Minutes of meeting	02.11.76		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Dr. Waiter to Professor Blackburn	Letter	30.11.76			
	Letter Scottish Home and Health Department to T.E. Dutton, DHSS	Letter	02.12.76		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter T.E. Dutton to Scottish Home and Health Department	Letter	Dec 76		s.36 FOIA?	
	Paper "Comparison of cryoprecipitate and intermediate purity concentrate for the treatment of haemophilia"	Paper	Dec 76	Deals with hepatitis risk from large plasma pools	s.36 FOIA?	
	Article British Journal of Haematology Haemophilia Centre Directors' Annual Statistic for 1975	Article	1977		Public doc	
	Article British Journal of Haematology Haemophilia Treatment in the United Kingdom 1969 to 1974	Article	1977		Public doc	
	Minute T. E. Dutton to Mr. Harris re: Lister Blood Products Laboratory	Departmental Minute	02.02.77		s.36 FOIA?	
	Working Group on Trends in the Demand for Blood Products -- Minutes of the First Meeting	Minutes of Meeting	03.02.77		s.36 FOIA?	
	Handwritten minute Cleary to Dr. Waiter and attached Note of a Joint DHSS /SHHD Meeting on Mutual Problems held on 11 Mar 1977 at DHSS	Departmental minute	Mar 77		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter HH Gunson Director of NBTS to Royal Commission on the National Health Service enclosing	Letter and enclosed memorandum	20.05.77			

	memorandum "The NBTS: Its present status and proposals for reorganization"					
	Minute T E Dutton to Dr. Waiter re: The Distribution of Factor VIII	Departmental Minute and draft paper	01.06.77		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Sheila Waiter to Mr. Dutton with comments on Distribution of Factor VIII paper	Departmental Minute	02.06.77		s.36 FOIA?	
	Handwritten minute Dr. Maycock to Mr. Dutton re: Distribution of Factor VIII	Departmental Minute	09.06.77		s.36 FOIA?	
	WHO Report on Economic Aspects of Viral Hepatitis	Report	04.07.77		Public doc	
	Working Group on Trends in the Demand for Blood Products - Minutes of 2 nd Meeting	Minutes of Meeting	13.07.77		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter J.A.F. Napier NBTS to Dr. Maycock on Factor VIII production, cryoprecipitate or concentrate	Letter	14.07.77		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute W. d'A Maycock to Mr. Dutton re: Possible Purchase of Land for BPL	Departmental Minute	02.08.77		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Sheila Waiter to Dr. Maycock	Departmental minute	26.08.77		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter RN Roberts, SHHD to T.E. Dutton re: Blood Products and Related Matter	Letter and attached agreed minutes of meeting on 22.08.77	31.10.77		s.36 FOIA?	
	Blood Products and Plasma Fractionation Laboratories Report	Report	Sep 77			
	Minute Sheila Waiter to Mr. Drewe re: Use of Factor VII in all forms – reviewed at a meeting of directors of Haemophilia, Associate Haemophilia and Blood Transfusion Centres from RHAs	Departmental minute	27.09.77		s.36 FOIA?	

	The Organisation of the National Blood Transfusion Service – Note of Meeting held at DHSS	Minutes of meeting	13.10.77		s.36 FOIA?	
	NBTS Central Laboratories; BPL: Blood Products Production: Note of Meeting held on 25 October 1977 at BPL	Minutes of Meeting	Nov 77		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute T.E. Dutton to Dr. Waiter – options paper on The Development of BPL in order to enable it to meet the target set by the Trends Working Party	Minute and attached paper (2 drafts)	31.10.77		s.36 FOIA?	
	Central Committee for the National Blood Transfusion Service Sub-Committee of the Central Laboratories: Minutes of a Meeting held on 18.11.77 at DHSS (redacted)	Minutes of Meeting	18.11.77		s.36 FOIA?	

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Doc No./ref	DOCUMENT NAME	DOCUMENT TYPE	DATE	RELEVANCE/IMPORTANCE	FOI/DPA/LPP ISSUES	OTHER COMMENTS
	Central Blood Laboratories – Project Control Report	Report	Jan 84			
	Letter Lord Glenarthur DHSS to Clive Jenkins Esq	Letter		Re: transmission of AIDS through blood products		
	Letter Diana Walford to Dr. Gunson, Regional Transfusion Centre Manchester	Letter	01.07.83	Re: chimpanzee experiments and heat treated Factor VIII – developed hepatitis		
	Minute HM Morgan to Mr. Parker re: AIDS and working paper	Minute and working paper	06.07.83	Paper on AIDS and blood products – heat inactivation etc. – relevant to Hep C – see section on AIDS: A New Hazard for Haemophiliacs?		
	Preliminary results from testing for HTLV -3 – Haemophilia B Patients	Statistics	? Jul 83			
	Advisory Committee on the NBTS – Supply of Plasma to the BPL	Paper				
	Letter Central Blood Laboratories Authority to Mr. P Winstanley DHSS	Letter	13.10.83		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minutes of 11 th meeting of the Central Blood Laboratories Authority (redacted)	Minutes of meeting	23.03.84		s.36 FOIA?	
	Memorandum Oxford Haemophilia Centre to All UK Haemophilia Centre Directors – Trials of “Hepatitis Reduced” Factor VIII- An Update	Memorandum	29.03.84		s.36 FOIA?	
	Surveillance of AIDS in relation to blood transfusion – Notes of a meeting 04.04.84	Notes of meeting	04.04.84		s.36 FOIA?	

	Letter AL Bloom Welsh National School of Medicine to Dr. Smithies, DHSS	Letter	09.04.84		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Dr. Smithies to AL Bloom Welsh National School of Medicine	Letter	17.04.84		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter HH Gunson, Director NBTS to Dr. Harris, DHSS	Letter	19.04.84	Re: application for funding for non-specific screening tests on blood donors	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Mary Sibellas to Dr. Field re: AIDS: Case Summaries Table	Minute and statistics	06.07.83		s.36 FOIA?	
	Central Blood Laboratories Authority – Central Committee for Research and Development in Blood Transfusion – Minutes of the 3 rd Meeting (redacted)	Minutes of meeting	28.02.84	Trials of heat treated Factor VIII concentrate		
	First Annual Report of the Central Blood Laboratories Authority Dec 82-Dec 83	Report	01.12.83			
	NBTS – Scientific and Technical Committee for the Central Blood Laboratories – Note of a Meeting held at BPL on 14 Nov 1979	Note of meeting	Jan 80		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Diana Wolford on Short Term Upgrading of the BPL	Departmental Minute and attached papers	25.04.80		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Diana Wolford to Miss Helson on BPL: Industrial Participation	Department Minute and policy document	08.04.80		s.36 FOIA?	
	Article “Blood bank in crisis over cash” Sunday Times	Article	27.04.80		Public doc	Attached is document “Proposal to exclude the Transfusion Service from Strict Liability for the adverse effects of its

						products”
	Letter T.E. Dutton DHSS to Dr. R.S. Lane BPL	Letter	07.02.80		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Dr. R.S. Lane BPL to Mr. Dutton	Letter	07.02.80		s.36 FOIA? Is a letter from Peter Swan (Engineering ltd) attached - check commercial in confidence?	
	Minute J.E. Vaughan to Mrs. J.M. Firth BPL	Departmental minute	15.02.80		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute from G. Tovey, Consultant Adviser in Blood Transfusion to Dr. R.M. Oliver	Departmental minute and attached paper	28.02.80	Paper -- Proposed Plan for Reorganisation of the NTBS	s.36 FOIA?	
	“Proposal to exclude the Transfusion Service from Strict Liability for the adverse effects of its products” by HH Gunson, RS Lane, TA Wood	Proposal	Mar 80		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Diana Wolford to Dr. Bell SHHD on Future Factor VIII Concentrate Requirements and attached correspondence	Departmental minute	29.01.80		s.36 FOIA?	
	UK Haemophilia Centre Directors Hepatitis Working Party – Factors to be considered in the Selection of Hepatitis Reduced Products for Clinical Trial – Evaluation of residual infectivity for hepatitis viruses	Paper and attached correspondenc	11.07.83	Relevant to Hep C	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute H M Morgan to Mr. Parker on AIDS attaching paper “Committee on Safety of Medicines – Summary of Main Points from a Consideration of AIDS and	Minute and paper	07.07.83	Important document for AIDS and Hep C – consideration of withdrawal of US preparations from UK – was concluded that not feasible on grounds of supply and	s.36 FOIA?	

	Licensed Blood Products By CSM (B) on 13.07.83			perceived level of risk did not at present justify serious consideration of such a solution		
	Background paper on AIDS	Paper	?			
	Central Blood Laboratories Authority – Minutes of 7 th Meeting (redacted)	Minutes of meeting	27.07.83		s.36 FOIA?	
	Leaflet prepared by DHSS on AIDS and how it concerns blood donors	Leaflet	?		Public doc	
	Haemophilia Centre Directors' AIDS Investigation – Surveillance of AIDS cases in patients with blood coagulation disorders – update 10.09.83	Report	10.09.83		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Diana Walford to Mr. Winstanley – Meeting of Haemophilia Reference Centre Directors 19.09.83 – salient points	Departmental minute	19.09.83		Redaction on grounds of legal privilege already made in this document ⁴	
	Regional Transfusion Directors' Meeting - Minutes of 189 th meeting on 22.09.83 (redacted)	Minutes of meeting	22.09.83	Notes – no test for AIDS available	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter HH Gunson, Director to Dr. Walford	Letter	23.09.83		s.36 FOIA?	
	Incidence of Acute Hepatitis in Patients with Congenital Coagulation Defects Treated by UK Haemophilia Centres during 1980-82	Statistics	05.10.83			
	Minute R M Oliver to Dr. Griffin re: Inspection of BPL, Elstree – attaching papers	Minute and papers	13.10.83	Reference to hepatitis in papers concerning inspection visit to Elstree in July and Aug 83		
	Central Blood Laboratories Authority - Minutes of 1 st meeting	Minutes of meeting	14.10.83		s.36 FOIA?	

⁴ There are only 2 references to privileged material – in this case the redaction has already been made.

	of Working Group on AIDS in relation to Blood Transfusion					
	Article in Guardian AIDS 'not imported in blood'	Article	15.10.83		Public doc	
	Bundle of correspondence between Dr. Walford DHSS and Swiss Red Cross Blood Transfusion Service	Letters and article	Oct 83			
	Advisory Committee on the NBTS – Regional Purchase of Commercial Blood Products	Paper	Oct 83			
	Advisory Committee on the NBTS – Minutes of the 8 th Meeting (redacted)	Minutes of Meeting	17.10.83	Relevant sections on AIDS and measures which may be taken to minimise risks following transfusion of blood products prepared from pooled plasma	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minutes of 2 nd meeting of the Working Group on AIDS in relation to blood transfusion	Minutes of meeting	27.01.84		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minutes of 2 nd meeting of the Central Committee for Research and Development in Blood Transfusion (redacted)	Minutes of meeting	07.11.83	Relevant sections on current practice at BPL with heat treatment of Factor VIII	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minutes of 1 st meeting of the Working Group on AIDS in relation to Blood Transfusion	Minutes of meeting	14.10.83	Relevant section on use of plasma pools containing smaller numbers of donors	s.36 FOIA?	
	Working Group on AIDS in relation to Blood Transfusion	Paper	07.11.83			
	Letter to Editor The Lancet "Fatal AIDS in a Haemophiliac in the UK"	Article	19.11.83		Public doc	
	Article BMJ – AIDS, hepatitis and haemophilia	Article	10.12.83		Public doc	Repeated in another file
	Minute from J.B. Brown to Mr. Harley re: BPL attaching a commentary on remedial measures	Departmental minute	29.04.80		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Hampshire AHA to Mr. P. Jenkin, Minister for Health	Letter	30.04.80			

	enclosing copy of a letter for publication in BMJ					
	Paper – Phased Redevelopment of BPL – Unresolved Interim Capital Requirements	Paper	27.04.84			
	Article – News Briefs – American Association of Blood Banks – Probable Cause of AIDS identified	Article	May 84		Public doc	
	Minute M E Abrams to Mr de Peyer re: Heat Treated Factor VIII – Hoechst UK Ltd and attachments	Departmental minute	01.05.84		Commercial in confidence?	
	Paper tabled at CBLA Meeting on 23.05.84 – Project Cost Evaluation	Paper	21.05.84		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute M E Abrams to Dr.Smithies re AIDS test	Departmental minute and attached article	25.06.84	Relevant – start of discussions regarding screening of blood in UK for AIDS	s.36 FOIA? Article – public doc	
	Central Blood Laboratories Authority – Minutes of 12 th Meeting (redacted)	Minutes	23.05.84		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Dr. Abrams – AIDS – Development of Diagnostic Tests for HTLV III and attached paper	Departmental minute	27.07.84	Relevant – state of knowledge re: AIDS and screening	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute R L Cunningham to Dr. Smithies – AIDS – Development of Diagnostic Test for HTLV III	Departmental minute	31.07.84		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minutes of a special meeting of the Central Blood Laboratories Authority to discuss the Redevelopment of the Blood Products Manufacturing Unit	Minutes of meeting	27.06.84		s.36 FOIA?	
	Article “Treatment of Children with Heath Sterilised Factor VIII Concentrate – A 4 years Follow Up Study” by Kohler-Vajita et al	Article	?		Public doc	
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Dr. Harris re: Proposed Working Group of the	Departmental minute	13.08.84	Relevant to AIDS screening	s.36 FOIA?	

	Advisory Committee on the National Blood Transfusion Services – Consequences to the NBTS of Screening for HTLV III					
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Dr. Arthur – Forthcoming Paper in the Lancet on AIDS – attaching draft Q&A briefing	Departmental minute and draft Q&A briefing	22.08.84	Relevant to state of knowledge in DHSS at that time	s.36 FOIA?	
	Incidence of Hepatitis in Patients with Congenital Coagulation Defects Treated by UK Haemophilia Centres during 1980-83	Statistics	31.08.84			
	Article The Lancet “Prevalence of Antibody to Human T Lymphotropic Virus Type III in AIDS and AIDS-risk Patients in Britain	Article	01.09.84		Public doc	
	Letter Dr. Tedder Middlesex Hospital Medical School to Dr. Harris DHSS	Letter	06.09.84	Relevant to AIDS screening	s.36 FOIA?	
	Handwritten minute JG Booth, Medicines Division to Mr. A.J. Williams re: AIDS contamination of Factor VIII concentrate and attached article	Departmental Minute	16.10.84		s.36 FOIA? Article – public doc	
	Draft Letter from PHLS regarding possible risk of infection with HTLV-3 and subsequent development of AIDS	Letter	23.10.84		? If went out, may be public doc	
	Appendix – Ethical Problems Associated with HTLV-3 Infection in Haemophiliacs	Paper	29.10.84		s.36 FOIA?	
	Advisory Committee on the NBTS – Working Group on AIDS – attached paper on Arrangements for the Collection and Testing of Blood Donations in the NBTS	Terms of Reference & Paper	Nov 84	Relevant to AIDS Screening of blood	s.36 FOIA?	

	Minute Dr. Smithies to Dr. Harris – enclosing proposed reply to Dr. Lane and correspondence	Departmental minute and draft letter	06.11.84		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter E.L. Harris to Dr. Lane, BPL and attached correspondence	Letter	08.11.84		s.36 FOIA?	
	Advisory Committee on the NBTS - Minutes of the 10 th Meeting (redacted)	Minutes of meeting	08.11.84	Relevant to AIDS incidence and testing	s.36 FOIA?	
	Central Blood Laboratories Authority – Central Committee for Research and Development in Blood Transfusion - Minutes of 4 th Meeting (redacted)	Minutes of meeting	09.11.84	Section on developments with respect to AIDS	s.36 FOIA?	
	Transcript of radio interview for BBC Radio 4 World This Weekend	Transcript	18.11.84		Public doc	
	Press Release – Britain to be self-sufficient in blood products by late 1986	Press release	19.11.84		Public doc	
	Article The Times “Life-Blood or Death?”	Article	21.11.84		Public doc	
	Article Morbidity and Mortality Report “Update: AIDS in Person with Haemophilia”	Article	20.10.84		Public doc	
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Dr. Alderslade on Heat Treatment for Factor VIII and attached articles	Departmental minute	20.11.84		s.36 FOIA? Articles attached are public docs	
	Minute M E Abrams to Dr. Harris on Advisory Committee of the National Blood Transfusion Service Working Group on AIDS – report on meeting	Departmental minute and note of meeting	27.11.84	Important document regarding heat treatment of Factor VIII – meeting unanimous that should be done although no guarantee that it was satisfactory	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter The Haemophilia Society to Lord Glenarthur Parliamentary Under Secretary	Letter	28.11.84	Interesting document - Concern expressed about heat treatment and the fact that it reduces the yield of Factor VIII – urge that heat treated commercial concentrates be introduced		

				forthwith **		
	Minute M.E. Duncan to Mr. Sloggem re: Heat Treated Factor VIII – application received from Miles Laboratories	Departmental minute	28.11.84		Commercial in confidence?	
	Letter DHSS (RD Mann) to Professor Bloom, Cardiff re Heat Treated Factor VIII Concentrates	Letter	29.11.84			
	Draft Health Circular	Draft Circular	?			
	Booklet on AIDS from Health Education Council	Booklet	?		Public doc	
	Letter Institute of Cancer Research to Dr. Smithies	Letter	02.12.84		s.36 FOIA?	
	AIDS Newcastle Policy December 1984	Policy document	Dec 84			
	Letter HH Gunson to Mr. Williams DHSS enclosing paper presented in Jan 84 re plasma supply	Letter	04.12.84		s.36 FOIA?	
	BPL - Agenda AIDS and the Management of Haemophilia	Agenda	04.12.84			
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Dr. Abram regarding Meeting of the Haemophilia Reference Centre Directors on 10.12.84	Departmental minute	12.12.84	Relevant to AIDS screening and heat treated Factor VIII	s.36 FOIA?	
	Notes of the Haemophilia Reference Centre Directors Meeting, BPL, Elstree 10.12.84	Notes of meeting	10.12.84	Relevant to AIDS screening and heat treated Factor VIII	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter DHSS Lord Glenarthur to The Chairman Haemophilia Society	Letter	12.12.84		Public doc	
	Article – Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report – Hepatitis B Vaccine: Evidence Confirming Lack of AIDS Transmission	Article	14.12.84		Public doc	
	Letter Middlesex Hospital to Dr. Smithies re: Research and Development of AIDS –Virus	Letter	18.12.84		s.36 FOIA?	

	screening of Blood Donors in the BTS					
	US Dept of Health and Human Services letter to Institute for Cancer Research UK re using H9 and H9/HTLV-III for any non commercial purpose including testing of blood samples	Letter	19.12.84		Note is letter from US Health dept.	
	Press Release of Haemophilia Society	Press Release	20.12.84	Concerns expressed over lack of supply of Factor VIII in UK and self-sufficiency	Public doc	
	Briefing for Ministers by Mr. A. Williams	Ministerial briefing	20.12.84		s.36 FOIA	
	Press Release - AIDS – CMO's Statement	Press Release	20.12.84	Announcing development of a screening test and intend to start heat treatment of all BPL Factor VII by April 85	Public doc	
	Articles in media on 4 people being infected by AIDS blood	Articles	?		Public docs	
	Article The Lancet – Blood Transfusion, Haemophilia and AIDS	Article	22/29.12.84		Public doc	
	Article The Lancet – “HTLV-III Seropositivity in European Haemophiliacs Exposed to Factor VIII Concentrate Imported from the USA	Article	22/29.12.84		Public doc	

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	Minute D.U. Jackson to Mr. J. Campbell re: Plasma for the Preparation of AGH Concentrate	Departmental minute	14.02.74		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute J Campbell to Mr. Lawrence on AHG Concentrate	Departmental minute	20.02.74		s.36 FOIA?	
	Written Answer to PQ on Factor VIII	PQ	22.04.75		Public doc	
	Draft minute Dr. Maycock to Dr. Waiter	Draft minute	06.08.75		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute from ? to Mr. Jones	Departmental minute	Jan 76		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute R.A. Tennard to Mr. Jones	Departmental minute	06.01.76		s.36 FOIA	
	Paper "Comparison of cryoprecipitate and intermediate purity concentrate for the treatment of haemophilia"	Paper	Dec 76	Deals with hepatitis risk from large plasma pools	s.36 FOIA?	
	Paper "The National Blood Transfusion Service – Its Present Status and Proposals for Reorganisation" – A Submission prepared for consideration by the Royal Commission on the NHS	Paper	May 77			2 copies
	Working Group on Trends in the Demand for Blood Products - Minutes of 2 nd Meeting	Minutes of Meeting	13.07.77		s.36 FOIA?	
	Report of the Working Group on Trends in the Demand for Blood Products	Report	Dec 77		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minutes of a meeting held on 27.04.78 to consider the costing of	Minutes of meeting	27.04.78		s.36 FOIA?	

	blood products					
	Written Answer to PQ	PQ	26.06.78		Public	
	Minute TE Dutton to Dr. Waiter – Future Demands on the NBTS and the Implications of Meeting Them	Departmental minute	30.11.78		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute PJ Wormald to Dr. Harris on Organisation and Management of Blood Transfusion Service	Departmental minute	13.03.79		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute T E Dutton to Mr. Harley re salary of director BPL and draft job description	Departmental Minute	18.06.79		s.36 FOIA?	No figures mentioned
	Minute Sheila Waiter to Mr. Dutton	Departmental minute	24.08.79		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Sheila Waiter to Dr. Oliver re Future Supplies of Blood Products	Departmental minute	23.08.79	Relevant to self-sufficiency issue	s.36 FOIA?	
	Note of a meeting with Kabivitrum at DHSS	Note of meeting	03.04.79		s.36 FOIA? Commercial in confidence?	
	Minute Diana Walford to Mr. Wormald re Scheme for Future Production of Blood Products in UK	Departmental minute	19.09.79		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute by T Dutton on The History and Development of the BPL at Elstree	Departmental minute	22.10.79		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute G. Tovey to Dr. RM Oliver with paper attached on Proposed Plan for Reorganisation of the NBTS	Departmental minute and paper	28.02.80		s.36 FOIA?	
	Note on European Directive on Liability for Defective Products – Proposal to Exclude the Transfusion Service from Strict Liability for the adverse effects of its products – by HHH Gunson, RS Lane and TA Wood	Paper	March 1980	“The imposition of strict liability on the Transfusion Service will undermine the relationships of donor and doctor, and those of the professions and the Department of Health, which finances the Service. It will eventually destroy the NBTS as we know it.”	s.36 FOIA?	

	Letter A. Aronstam, Consultant Haematologist to Mr. P. Jenkin Minister for Health enclosing copy of a letter to BMJ awaiting publication	Letter plus draft letter to BMJ	30.04.80	Relevant to Factor VIII supply and demand		
	Paper on AIDS for CBLA	Paper	22.04.83	Relevant – possible impact of AIDS and high incidence of NANBH caused review of current level of resources set aside for virus inactivation.	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter T E Dutton, DHSS to Dr. Aronstam	Letter	18.05.80	Dept much concerned with steps to meet estimated future requirements for blood products, particularly Factor VIII		
	Letter J. Harley, DHSS to Dr. Aaron, USA re blood prices	Letter enclosing table	06.08.80			
	Paper by TE Dutton entitled “A Comparison of Dr. Lane’s latest assessment of essentials on which Agreement is Needed Immediately with Dr Walford’s list of measures essential for the short-term operation of BPL”	Paper	June 1980		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute John Flint to Mr. Brown re: BPL	Departmental minute	04.07.80		s.36 FOIA?	
	Ad hoc Meeting of Regional Transfusion Directors (redacted)	Note of meeting	18.06.80		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute EL Harris to Mr. G A Hart re BPL’s radioimmunoassay test for Hep B	Departmental minute	17.07.80		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Peter Dunhill University College Hospital to Dr. Walford, DHSS	Letter	30.09.80	Re BPL		
	Paper – Protein Fractionation Technology Working Party	Paper	?			
	Paper by Haemonetics “An Automated Plasmapheresis	Paper	Oct 80		Marked “company confidential” –	

	Programme for the National Blood Transfusion Service				s.41 FOIA?	
	Minute Dr. Walford to Dr. Smith "Studies of the Epidemiology and Chronic Sequelae of FVIII and IX Associated Hepatitis in the UK" attaching report of studies	Departmental minute and accompanying report	Dec 80	** Important document - relevant to Hep C – incidence of NANBH similar in US commercial products and NHS products and not altered significantly over time	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minutes of meeting on 1 Dec 1980 with SHHD, DHSS Northern Ireland and Welsh Office to discuss UK self-sufficiency in blood and blood products	Minutes of meeting	01.12.80 (Minutes Feb 81)		s.36 FOIA?	
	Transcript of World in Action programme "The Blood Business"	Transcript	22.12.80		Public doc	
	Minute re NBTS Joint Management Committee for the Central Blood Laboratories – plus copy of file prepared by Medicines Inspectors following visit to BPL in Nov and Dec 1980	Minute and file notes	19.01.81	Inspection of BPL in 1980	s.36 FOIA?	
	Paper – Advisory Committee on the NBTS – Plasmapheresis of Unpaid Donors as a means of Augmenting the Supply of Plasma	Paper	?			
	Letter DHSS to K. Punt, Trent RHA re Hepatitis Testing of Blood Donors	Letter	25.02.81		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minutes of 2 nd meeting of Advisory Committee for the NBTS	Minutes of Meeting	23.02.81	Discussion of plasmapheresis as a means of increasing plasma supply	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter BPL to Dr. Diana Walford re: Proposed Inspections of Regional Transfusion Centres by Medicines Inspectors	Letter	22.05.81		s.36 FOIA?	
	Working Party to Advise on Plasma Supplies for Self-Sufficiency in Blood Products – Preliminary Report	Report	June 1981		s.36 FOIA?	

	BTS: Joint Management Committee for the Central Blood Laboratories – Response to Medicines Division Report, BPL	Response to report	5-6 March 1981		s.36 FOIA?	
	Advisory Committee on NBTS -- Working Party to Advise on Plasma Supplies for Self-Sufficiency in Blood Products – Supplement to Preliminary Report	Report	1981		s.36 FOIA?	2 copies
	Minute JB Brown to Mr. Harley re BPL Elstree	Departmental minute	25.09.81		s.36 FOIA?	
	Third Annual Report on Project No J/S240/78/7 – Preliminary Results	Report	1981?	Important – Hepatitis surveillance; NHS v Commercial Concentrate, Multiple attacks of NANBH etc		
	Report by KJ Ayling Principal Medicines Inspector on Visit to BPL, Elstree on 19.01.82	Report	26.01.82		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter BPL to Mr. G. Collins NW Thames RHA	Letter	14.05.82	Concern arising from project management meeting	s.36 FOIA?	
	Advisory Committee on the NBTS – Paper on Record Keeping and draft circular	Paper and draft circular	1983			
	Minute EL Harris to Sir Kenneth Stowe re Redevelopment of the BPL, Elstree	Departmental Minute	29.11.82		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Diana Walford to Dr. K. Fowler re Factor VIII concentrate with reduced hepatitis risk	Departmental minute	22.12.82		Commercial in confidence?	
	Minute GG Hulme to Miss Barton about Redevelopment of the BPL, Elstree	Departmental minute	24.12.82		s.36 FOIA?	
	Booklet on AIDS prepared by DHSS	Booklet	?1982/83		Public	
	Minute TK Sweeney to Miss Fraenkel re Factor 8 and the Observer Article	Departmental minute	18.01.83	About expected production capacity from new blood laboratory	s.36 FOIA?	

	Minute Mary Sibellas to Dr. Oliver re: AIDS and American Factor VIII	Departmental Minute	06.05.83	Reports case of haemophiliac in Cardiff developing AIDS – consideration of American product and risk	s.36 FOIA?	
	Background Paper on AIDS	Paper	231.05.83	Useful summary of position – Paper IV – Implications of the introduction of heat-treated Factor VIII concentrates		
	Minute Diana Walford to Mr. Winstanley re AIDS	Departmental minute and table	06.06.83	Statistics on quantities of Factor VIII used in UK Haemophiliacs broken down by manufacturer	s.36 FOIA?	
	Note on Possible Implications of AIDS for plasma supply and manufacture at BPL	Note/minute	June 1983			
	AIDS: Note of meeting held on 3.6.83	Note of meeting	03.06.83	Refers to action on heat treated Factor VIII – Haemophilia Centre Directors adamant that heat treated products should not be introduced to the market without proper examination and meaningful clinical trials. Agreed to keep close eye on developments.	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Diana Walford to Dr. Field “Action on AIDS”	Departmental minute	13.05.83		s.36 FOIA?	
	Central Blood Laboratories Authority – AIDS – Report by HH Gunson on the Discussion which took place at the meeting of Expert Committee on Blood Transfusion and Immuno-Haematology of the Council of Europe, Lisbon 16-20 May 1983	Minute of meeting	13.06.83	Important document re risk of AIDS from blood and fact that with regard to importation of plasma products and in particular Factor VIII there seems little alternative at present.	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Travenol Laboratories to Dr. HH Gunson	Letter	17.06.83			
	Minute Mary Sibbelas to Dr. Field attaching statement on AIDS	Departmental minute and attached statement	15.06.83	Summary of knowledge of AIDS at that time	s.36 FOIA?	

	Minute Diana Walford to all Med SEB Professional Staff re AIDS and attaching paper (redacted)	Minute and paper	28.06.83	Important section on Haemophiliacs – 50% of Factor VIII needed to treat haemophilia will have to be imported, mainly from USA. No evidence that heat-treated Factor VIII concentrate reduces risk of transmitting AIDS		
	Letter HH Gunson NBTS to Dr. D. Walford, DHSS	Letter	29.06.83	Thinks FDA is extrapolating heat treatment with respect to AIDS too far	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Diana Walford to Dr. Gunson	Letter	01.07.83	**Important doc – possible cost implications of introducing heat treated Factor VIII into UK not material to CSM's deliberations but his comments re potentially major financial conseqs for health authorities could be used to support the argument for the need for properly controlled clinical trials before material is introduced.	s.36 FOIA?	
	Central Blood Laboratories Authority – Project Control Committee – 7 th meeting	Minute of meeting	14.07.83 (Minute prepared 20.07.83)		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute HM Morgan to Mr. Parker re: AIDS and attaching working paper for CSM Biologicals Sub-committee	Departmental minute and working paper	06.07.83	Relevant - Reference to possible scientific approaches to avoiding or reducing presence of virus in clotting factor preparations Desirability of using heat treated products when available and should be encouraged notwithstanding the cost penalty Attached paper by Dr. L. Fowler also relevant to risk from AIDS to haemophiliacs	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute HM Morgan to Mr. Parker	Departmental	07.07.83	*** Important -- CSM conclusions	s.36 FOIA?	Careful

	on AIDS	minute		<p>– rejected possibility of withdrawing clotting factor concentrates from the market and withdrawing US preparations from UK.</p> <p>CSM endorsed sub-committee views</p> <p>Needs to be read in full</p>		discussion regarding risks and benefits
	Minutes of 7 th Meeting of Central Blood Laboratories Authority (redacted)	Minutes of meeting	27.07.83		s.36 FOIA?	
	Hepatitis B Sub-Unit Vaccine – Notes of a Meeting held at BTG	Minutes of meeting	07.07.83		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter NBTS to Dr. Walford DHSS re leaflets	Letter	23.09.83		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute RM Oliver to Dr. Griffin on Inspection of BPL, Elstree and attached reports/correspondence	Minute and attached reports/correspondence	13.10.83	Re inspection of BPL - Includes section on Hepatitis	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Swiss Red Cross BTS to Dr. Walford DHSS and attached correspondence and article	Letter	17.10.83	Arose out of suggestion in newspaper that UK had rejected an offer by Switzerland of risk free blood – in fact no offer or sufficient supplies to make available to UK	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minutes of 1 st meeting of Working Group on AIDS in relation to Blood Transfusion	Minutes of meeting	14.10.83	Ref to use of smaller plasma pools	s.36 FOIA?	
	Working Group on AIDS in relation to Blood Transfusion paper	Paper	07.11.83			
	Minutes of 2 nd meeting of Working Group on AIDS in relation to Blood Transfusion	Minutes of meeting	27.01.84		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Dr. Berry re Information on Hepatitis	Departmental minute	06.03.84		s.36 FOIA?	

	Minute Alun J. Williams to Dr. E. Harris re CBLA – new production unit at Elstree, Comments by Medicines Inspectors – attached correspondence	Departmental minute and attached correspondence	26.03.84		s.36 FOIA?	
	Central Blood Laboratories Authority – Minutes of 11 th Meeting of CLBA (redacted)	Minutes of meeting	28.03.84		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter A.L. Bloom Welsh National School of Medicine to Dr. Smithies	Letter	09.04.84		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Dr. Smithies to Professor Bloom	Letter	17.04.84	Re arrangements for using heat treated Factor VIII	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Dr. HH Gunson, NBTS to Dr. E. Harris, DHSS	Letter	19.04.84	Re: Dr. Wallington's application to the MRC for non-specific screening tests on blood donors	s.36 FOIA?	
	Phased Redevelopment of BPL – Unresolved Interim Capital Requirements	Paper	27.04.84		s.36 FOIA?	

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Doc No./ref	DOCUMENT NAME	DOCUMENT TYPE	DATE	RELEVANCE/IMPORTANCE	FOI/DPA/LPP ISSUES	OTHER COMMENTS
	Memorandum for CBLA – Update on Plasma Supplies for Self-Sufficiency – by Dr. Gunson	Memorandum	17.05.84		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minutes of 6 th Meeting of the Central Committee for Research and Development in Blood Transfusion (redacted)	Minutes of meeting	09.07.85	<p>Important document – “A new “virus safer” Factor VIII concentrate of high specific activity – re: hep B, NANBH and HTLV III – trials underway – and Anti-HTLV III testing in NBTS</p> <p>Statement that “any undue delay in introduction of the tests would be unreasonable”</p> <p>Factor VIII concentrate being heat treated to inactivate viruses Use of Heat Treated Factor VIII and IX preparations. – clinical trials planned for Jul 85</p>	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute ME Abrams to Dr. Smithies re AIDS Test and attached article	Departmental minute and attached article	25.06.84		s.36 FOIA Article is public doc	2 copies
	Minutes of 12 th Meeting of Central Blood Laboratories Authority (redacted)	Minutes	23.05.84		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Dr. Abrams re: AIDS – Development of Diagnostic Test for HTLV III	Departmental minute and draft paper	27.07.84	Plan to start screening at beginning of October Draft paper attached on AIDS – Current Developments	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute RL Cunningham to Dr. Smithies re AIDS – Development of Diagnostic Test for HTLV III	Minute	31.07.84		s.36 FOIA?	

	Article "Treatment of Children with Heath Sterilised Factor VIII Concentrate – A 4 years Follow Up Study" by Kohler-Vajita et al	Article	?		Public doc	
	Article "Hepatitis – A major complication of the Treatment of Hemophilia" Schimpf KL et al	Article	?		Public doc	
	Prescribers' Journal – Haemophilia A and B	Journal extract	Aug 84		Public doc	
	Letter Dr. Abrams to Assistant Secretary for Health, Dr. Brandt, USA	Letter	10.08.84	Letter re: HTLV III and development of screening tests for antibodies	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Dr. Harris re: Proposed Working Group of the Advisory Committee on the National Blood Transfusion Services – Consequences to the NBTS of Screening for HTLV III	Departmental minute	13.08.84	Relevant to AIDS screening	s.36 FOIA?	
	Handwritten minute Alun J Williams to Dr. Smithies re Haemophilia Society	Departmental minute	16.08.84		s.36 FOIA?	
	Handwritten minute JG Booth to Mr. A Williams re AIDS Contamination of Factor VIII concentrate	Departmental minute	05.10.84		s.36 FOIA? Ref to Alpha Therapeutics – commercial in confidence?	
	Letter Dr. Smithies DHSS to Dr. Hain CMO, Australian High Commission in response to his letter of 17.10.84 attached	Letter	24.10.84	Important letter – re no. of haemophiliacs who had died in UK from AIDS and measures adopted by BTS and dependency on commercial sources for 60% of Factor VIII supply. UK Factor VIII not heat treated though concern with research into its use	s.36 FOIA?	
	Appendix – Ethical Problems Associated with HTLV-3 Infection in Haemophiliacs	Paper	29.10.84		s.36 FOIA?	

	Advisory Committee on the National Blood Transfusion Service – Working Group on AIDS – and attached paper on Arrangements for the Collection and Testing of Blood Donations in the NBTS	Terms of Reference and paper	Nov 84		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute from Dr. Smithies to Dr. Harris with draft reply to Dr. Lane	Departmental minute and draft letter	06.11.84	Reference to planning of dried heat treatment of all UK Factor VIII	s.36 FOIA? Article is public doc	
	Minute CW France to Mr. Doran re Redevelopment of BPL, Elstree and attached correspondence	Minute and attached correspondence	07.11.84	Important Annex entitled “Self-Sufficiency in Blood and Blood Products in the UK” – summary of the position and arguments about self-sufficiency - need to import 50-60% of Factor VIII to maintain the 4,500 haemophiliacs in the UK because BPL can only manufacture sufficient for 40% of them	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Dr. Harris DHSS to Dr. Lane, BPL and attached correspondence	Letter and attached correspondence	08.11.84	Re transmission of AIDS in blood products	s.36 FOIA?	
	Advisory Committee of the National Blood Transfusion Service – Working Group on AIDS – terms of reference and attached paper on Immunisation of Voluntary Donors with Hep B Vaccine: Compensation for Injury	Terms of Reference and attached paper	Nov 84		s.36 FOIA?	
	Paper Advisory Committee of the NBTS – Ex Gratia Payments to Donors who suffer a Reaction at BTCs	Paper	Nov 84			
	Minutes of 4 th Meeting of Central Committee for Research and Development in Blood Transfusion (redacted)	Minutes of meeting	09.11.84	Ref to developments with respect to AIDS and Trials of Heat Treated Factor VIII manufactured at BPL	s.36 FOIA?	
	Transcript of radio interview for	Transcript	18.11.84		Public doc	

	BBC Radio 4 World This Weekend Working Group on AIDS paper "Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome Surveillance in UK sep 81 to Nov 84 – A report from the Communicable Disease Surveillance Centre to the DHSS and the Welsh Office	Report	21.11.84	Discussion – cases in US of development of AIDS after transfusions	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Dr. Abrams "Brief for the Team of the Working Group on AIDS – 27 Nov"	Departmental minute	26.11.84		s.36 FOIA?	
	Leaflet on AIDS – NBTS	Leaflet	1984		Public doc	
	Minute ME Abrams to Dr. Harris – "Advisory Committee of the NBTS – Arrangements for the Collection and Testing of Blood Donations in the NBTS" – report back on meeting	Departmental minute including Note of meeting	27.11.84	**Important document Discussion of what donors with positive AIDS tests should be told and counseling – no unanimity on who should do it or how. Follow up etc being considered "There are very difficulty and complex issues to be taken on board..." Also heat treatment of Factor VIII – not yet the evidence to guarantee that this is satisfactory but should be done in addition as "In the present state of knowledge belt and braces vital". Some expressed view that should stop the import of non-heat treated Factor VIII.	s.36 FOIA	2 copies
	Minute M.E. Duncan to Mr. Sloggem re: Heat Treated Factor VIII – application received from Miles Laboratories	Departmental minute	28.11.84		Commercial in confidence?	
	Letter DHSS (RD Mann) to Professor Bloom, Cardiff re Heat Treated Factor VIII Concentrates	Letter	29.11.84			
	Letter R.A. Weiss Institute of	Letter	03.12.84		s.36 FOIA?	

	Cancer Research to Dr. Smithies					
	BPL - Agenda AIDS and the Management of Haemophilia	Agenda	04.12.84			
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Dr. Abram regarding Meeting of the Haemophilia Reference Centre Directors on 10.12.84	Departmental minute	12.12.84	Relevant to AIDS screening and heat treated Factor VIII	s.36 FOIA?	
	Paper – HTLV 3 Antibody in Haemophilia	Paper	?			
	Leaflet from Irwin Memorial Blood Bank USA – Info for Prospective Blood Donors	Leaflet	?		Public doc	
	Leaflet from South London Regional Blood Tranfusion – Important Information for Blood Donors	Leaflet	?		Public doc	
	Leaflet from South Florida Blood Service	Leaflet	?		Public doc	
	Notes of the Haemophilia Reference Centre Directors Meeting, BPL, Elstree 10.12.84	Notes of meeting	10.12.84	Relevant to AIDS screening and heat treated Factor VIII	s.36 FOIA?	
	Expert Advisory Group on AIDS : 1 st Meeting 29.01.85 (unredacted)	Notes of 1st Meeting	29.01.85	Surveillance of AIDS infection, availability of AIDS screening test (BTS Advisory Group on AIDS had concluded that a screening test for all blood donors should be made available asap) - setting up of subgroup to consider screening	s.36 FOIA?	
	Paper of Central Blood Laboratories Authority – Self-Sufficiency in Blood Products in the New Manufacturing Unit – Meeting the Demand for Plasma by RS Lane and HH Gunson	Paper	17.01.85	Relevant to self-sufficiency	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter A.L. Bloom to Dr. Smithies re: HTLV III Testing for Haemophiliacs	Letter	16.01.85		s.36 FOIA?	

	Leaflet – “Some reasons why you should not give blood”	Leaflet	Jan 85		Public doc	
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Mr. Harris on AIDS	Departmental minute	21.01.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter HH Gunson NBTS to Dr. Smithies “Preventative Action against Transmission of AIDS through Blood Donations”	Letter	21.01.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	DHSS Dear Director letter to all RTDs enclosing Health Circular “Leaflet: AIDS – important new advice for blood donors” HC(85)3	Letter plus circular	23.01.85		Public doc	
	Minute ME Abrams to Dr. Smithies re HTLV III Testing for Haemophiliacs	Departmental minute	24.01.85		s.36 FOIA? Reference to commercial companies – check confidentiality?	
	Handwritten minute MH Arthur to Mr. Harris about applications for AIDS screening	Departmental minute	?		s.36 FOIA? Commercial in confidence?	
	Letter from Peter Thomas MP to Kenneth Clarke and reply	Letter from MP and reply	12.02.85			
	Covering letter and information on AIDS test kit from US Department of Health and Human Services	Letter and attached information	05.03.85		This is document provided by US to UK for wide distribution – should be no comity disclosure issues	
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Dr. Harris re Introduction of Test to AIDS related antibody	Departmental minute	11.03.85	Expert Advisory Sub-Group has advised that a field evaluation of kits is necessary because of the preliminary results of the FDA studies which have been made known to DHSS	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter John Butterfill MP to	Letter from MP	15.03.85	Concerns re urgency of		

	Kenneth Clarke			implementation of screening and inability to satisfy demand for heat treated Factor XIII and IX		
	PHLS letter to Directors re Anti HTLV-3 tests: confirmation and availability and attached form and correspondence	Letter and enclosures	05.03.85	Important document - Enclosures includes letter EL Harris to Dr. Whitehead of PHLS regarding screening test for AIDS antibody – reasons for concern about unilateral introduction of a test	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter PHLS to Dr. Harris, DHSS re: HTLV-3 antibody tests, PHLA Laboratory Newcastle	Letter	22.03.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minutes of 5 th Meeting of Central Committee for Research and Development in Blood Transfusion	Minutes of meeting	02.04.85	Reference to introduction of anti HTLV3 testing in BTS (AIDS) and use of heat treatment on Factor VIII and Factor IX preparations – experiments with respect to investigation of transmission of NANBH.	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute E.L. Harris to Mr. M.A. Harris – CBLA Licensing under Medicines Act 1968	Departmental minute	02.04.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Dr. Harris to Dr. Whitehead PHLS re Provision by PHLS of Facilities for Testing for HTLV III antibody	Letter	09.04.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Handwritten letter Dr. Smithies DHSS to Dr. Fraser, Bristol enclosing a draft paper discussed on 22.04.95 – paper entitled Expert Advisory Group on AIDS, Screening Tests Sub Group Report on the Introduction of a Test for Antibody to the AIDS related Virus	Letter	25.04.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter Institute of Cancer Research	Letter	20.05.85	Paper on AIDS – includes	s.36 FOIA?	

	circulated to MRC Working Party on AIDS and attached paper on AIDS problem			reference to spread via haemophilic population		
	Letter AH Woodhead, DHSS to Blood Transfusion Service Directors re recall of Armour Pharmaceutical Co Ltd Factor VIII	Letter	13.05.85	One of US donors passed all screening tests but subsequent development AIDS	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter PHLS to Dr. Harris re PHLS Facilities for Testing for HTLV-3 Antibody	Letter and attachments including flow chart	22.05.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Paper on HTLV3 infection, the AIDS epidemic and the control of its spread in the UK	Paper	Jun 85			
	Minute M.A. Harris to Dr. Smithies on ACDP Guidelines and BTS	Departmental minute	06.06.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Expert Advisory Group on AIDS Screening Sub-Test Sub-Group	Notes of meeting	10.06.85	Progress report on evaluation of AIDS screening kits	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Mr. Williams re World in Action Dr. Gunson's interview	Minute	09.07.85	Important document – admits areas of concern regarding BPL and its production Reference to need for field trials for HTLV III testing to determine reliability	s.36 FOIA?	
	Note of a meeting held with Ortho Diagnostic Systems Ltd to discuss outcome of the Stage 1 evaluation of their Anti-HTLV III kit	Note of meeting	06.08.85		Commercial in confidence? s.36 FOIA?	
	Minutes of 6 th Meeting of Central Committee for Research and Development in Blood Transfusion	Committee Minutes	09.07.85	Reference to anti HTLV3 testing in BTS (AIDS) - any undue delay in introduction of tests would be unreasonable. Also update on use of heat treatment on Factor VIII and Factor IX preparations – clinical trials which had taken or were to take place.	s.36 FOIA?	

	Letter BPL to Mr. Davis DHSS re: Heat Treated Factor 8	Letter	11.07.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter CW France DHSS to Mr. Smart, Chairman CBLA re Redevelopment of BPL, Elstree	Letter	23.07.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter CBLA to Mr. France, DHSS re Redevelopment of BPL	Letter	28.07.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Dr. Harris to Dr. Smithies DHSS re Heat Treated Factor VIII enclosing letter	Departmental minute and letter	15.08.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Paper of DHSS Scientific and Technical Branch: Public Health Laboratory Service and DHSS Evaluation of Five Commercial Anti-HTLV III/LAV Assay Kits	Paper	Sep 85		Commercial in Confidence? (is reference to a lot of commercial info in this report)	
	Letter MA Harris DHSS to all Regional and District General Managers etc. re Evaluation of Screening Test Kits for HTLVIII antibody	Letter enclosing report	01.08.85			
	Evaluation of Kits for the Detection of the Antibody to Human T-Cell Lymphotropic Virus Type III (Anti-HTLV III)	Report?		Short report on evaluation of screening kits for AIDS	Commercial in confidence?	
	Various appendices – evaluation of specimens	Appendices to some report	?			
	Memorandum US Department of Health and Human Services to all Registered Blood Establishments	Memorandum	03.09.85	Re exclusion criteria -- any male who has had sex with another male since 1977	Public doc?	
	Evaluation of Anti-HTLV III kits in the NBTS: Notes of Discussions held with Wellcome Diagnostics and Organon Teknika Ltd on 27.09.85	Notes of Meeting	27.09.85		Commercial in confidence?	
	Letter TJ Snape to ? re Notice of Discontinuance of Supply and Product Recall: Factor IX type 9D	Letter and attached material	07.10.85	Unheated Factor IX type 9D no longer available for clinical use		

	and attached material including letter BPL to Haemophilia Directors Information Sheet Oct 85 Dried Factor IX Concentrate: Heat Treated					
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Dr. Penn re CMO's Meeting Luxembourg 14-15 October enclosing briefing	Departmental Minute and briefing	08.10.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter J.A.F. Napier Medical Director to Consultant Haematologists re HTLVIII Antibody Testing of Blood for Transfusion	Letter	11.10.85			
	Letter Dr. Gunson NBTS to Dr. Smithies	Letter	28.10.85	Confirmed commencement of testing for anti-HTLV III on 17.09.85	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter NBTS Dr. Rogers to Dr. Smithies re Testing Donations for anti-HTLV III enclosing letter to all Haematologists	Letter	29.10.85		s.36 FOIA? Document labeled confidential	
	Letter AK Collins, NBTS to Dr. Smithies, DHSS	Letter	08.11.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Ms K Doran re Heat Treated Factor VIII	Minute	28.11.85		s.36 FOIA?	
	Paper – "Retrospective Study of HIV Infection Associated with Unheated NHS Factor VIII and IX.	Paper	?1985	Important document – analysis of returns from Haemophilia Centres of effect of heat treatment on HIV		
	A Survey of Prevalence of HTLV III Antibody in Haemophiliacs in the UK by The AIDS Group of the UK Haemophilia Centre Directors	Paper	?1985	"It is probably reasonable to assume that in the great majority of sero positive patients the HTLV111 antibody was induced by treatment with unheated material before the recent changeover to heat-treated material"		
	Minute MA Harris to Mr A Barton re Crown Immunity	Departmental minute	08.01.86		s.36 FOIA?	
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Ms. K.	Departmental	06.02.86	Important document – "If the	s.36 FOIA?	

	Doran re Press Release about the Number of Blood Donors found to be HTLV III Positive	Minute		overall total is not announced it will appear as if there is something to hide. The statement as it is whilst it may cause the more sophisticated to think with alarm that it indicates the prevalence of infection within the community generally, is unlikely to be interpreted in that way by others."		
	Minute Dr. Smithies to Dr. Harris re Heat Treated Factor VIII	Departmental minute	17.02.86	Important document re need to review use of Armour heat treated Factor VIII in the UK	s.36 FOIA?	
	Paper "Expert Advisory Group on AIDS – The Safety of Heat Treated Factor VIII" A Paper by the Department	Paper	04.03.86	3 known cases of seroconversion for HTLV III antibody after heat treated Factor VIII – one had other risk factors and two others were treated with Armour material from a batch known to contain an AIDS donor	s.36 FOIA?	
	Letter PHLS to Peter? Re Anti-HTLV III/LAV confirmatory testing	Letter	04.03.86		s.36 FOIA?	
	Statistics on Anti-HTLV III tests on blood donations Oct 85 to Jan 86	Statistics	1986			
	Minutes of 9 th Meeting of Expert Advisory Group on AIDS (redacted)	Minutes of meeting	11.03.86	Important document – Section on Safety of Factors VIII and IX – safety margins and conclusion that there was no evidence that HTLV III infection had been transmitted in heat treated Factor VIII and IX concentrates – subject to clearance in light of discussions by CSM	s.36 FOIA?	
	Minutes of 23 rd Meeting of the CBLA	Minutes of meeting	25.03.86	Not esp relevant	Reference to legal advice from Coward Chance on a contract – privilege probably	

					already waived by disclosure – does not look v. impt but point should be checked. ⁵	
	Minute Dr. F. Rotblat to Dr. Perry Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service	Departmental minute	09.06.86	Confirms that all imported albumin preparations and other blood products should be prepared from plasma individually tested for HBsAg and anti-HIV.	s.36 FOIA?	
	Position Paper on the Construction of the New Blood Products Laboratory	Paper	12.06.86	Estimated completion date mid-Jan 1987	s.36 FOIA?	
Tab marked Undated Untraceable Files	Letter Lord Glenarthur to Clive Jenkins Esq	Letter	? Aug 83	Relevant to use of American products – states that “Haemophilia Society is aware of the situation and has in fact made known to me its opposition to any move to ban American FVIII” Rejects suggestion of any complacency about risk of AIDS		
	Paper “Safety of Blood Derivatives Pasteurized in Dry State” by Alfred M. Prince, Laboratory of Virology, The New York Blood Center	Paper	?			

⁵ This is the only other reference to material which may be covered by legal advice privilege.

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This file contains a database record of documents and notes upon those documents. It was clearly created by a firm of Claimants' solicitors investigating the merits of a claim against the then-National Blood Authority. This file does not contain Department of Health documents and whilst it gives an impression of the views taken of the documents by the Claimants' solicitors, I am not convinced that it should have been returned to the Department. It is very unlikely to be capable of being disclosed by the Department. It is probably subject to legal professional privilege and has probably been disclosed in error. The position needs to be checked with the firm from whom these documents originated and if necessary, the documents returned.

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