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Dear Aileen

**RE: Hepatitis C Infection in Haemophilia Patients**

Further to previous correspondence and to our meeting on 1/9/99, I write to update you on the situation with Haemophilia Patients at Glasgow Royal Infirmary:-

- (1) The information on number of live Hepatitis C antibody positive patients currently attending here, given in Staff Nurse Little's letter of 20/8/99, is confirmed. With regard to the 36 patients on whom we have no record of treatment between 1/9/85 - 30/6/87, we are continuing to check through case records and transfusion records (and will also check the Oxford data when available). As yet, we have not identified any of these patients who were treated here for the first time with blood products during that time period. Dr Chalmers will send you Yorkhill data directly.
- (2) Of the 50 Haemophiliacs who died from 1986 to date while attending Glasgow Royal Infirmary (or who had recently moved from Glasgow), 13 are known to have died of liver disease (cirrhosis and/or hepatocellular carcinoma). For deaths in which we have limited information, we have requested further information or case records from other Hospitals or General Practitioners. One patient who died attended Glasgow Western Infirmary for Haemophilia treatment - I have copied my letter to Dr Lucie to yourself and asked him to reply direct.

Regards.

Yours sincerely.

**G D O LOWE**  
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