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**Subject:** The Penrose Inquiry - Query concerning UKHCDO database report - Factor VIII concentrate consumption at Yorkhill

Neil,

I have previously sent to you the response from Prof. Hann and now forward to you the undernoted comments received from Dr Gibson. Your request is currently with Dr Pettigrew for her consideration and I will revert to you when I hear from her.

In the meantime I would be grateful if you would acknowledge safe receipt of this email.

Kind regards,  
Tracey

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**From:** Gibson, Brenda [REDACTED]

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**To:** Turnbull Tracey (NATIONAL SERVICES SCOTLAND)

**Subject:** The Penrose Inquiry - Query concerning UKHCDO database report - Factor VIII concentrate consumption at Yorkhill

Dear Tracey,

I have read Ian Hann's response and like him I have great difficulty remembering events in 1988 with any accuracy. Your enquiry centres around an unexplained spike in the consumption of NHS Factor VIII concentrate at RHSC , Glasgow in 1988.

The accuracy of the figures have been questioned. Charles Hay seems pretty certain that they are accurate , and I could not dispute this. The increased usage recorded in 1988 is of a magnitude that any error would have to be major before the spike was anything other than significant. I can't explain why there is no reference to this increased use in the minute of a SNETS Haemophilia Directors meeting or the report. I am afraid that I don't have copies of either to check. Assuming that it is real , there are a number of clinical issues which could have lead to increased usage over a short period in a small patient population.

- 1. Surgery
- 2. Inhibitors
- 3. Target joints.

A combination of 1-3

I don't remember any change in practice around that time , which would have lead to increased use for only a short( one year) period. Any change in practice is likely to have spilled over into the next year.

Sorry not to be more helpful,

B.W.

Brenda

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