

Scottish National Blood Transfusion Association
Extract from Minutes of Central Consultative Committee
Meeting held on10 October 1974.....

Screening of donations for hepatitis B antigen

10. The Maycock Advisory Group had proposed that parallel trials of the reverse haemagglutination and radioimmunoassay techniques for the detection of HBsAg be instituted and their attention had been drawn to a haemagglutination inhibition technique developed in Edinburgh and South-East Scotland Regional Blood Transfusion Centre; the Group has been asked to consider this technique for inclusion in such a trial. Dr Cash's paper on the technique had been passed on to the Secretary of the Advisory Group. Trials would probably have to be conducted on a multi-centre basis. As it would be at least a year before trials could be evaluated interim advice would probably be issued pending final decisions.