



# BLOOD PRODUCTS LABORATORY

National Blood Transfusion Service

Director:  
R. S. LANE, MD MRCP MRCPath.

Telephone : 01-953-8191

Dagger Lane,  
Elstree,  
Borehamwood,  
Herts WD6 3BX.

RSL/AH

21st December 1982.

Dr. J. Cash,  
Scottish National Blood Transfusion Service,  
Ellen's Glen Road,  
Edinburgh EH17 7QT.

Dear Dr. Cash,

Hepatitis-reduced factor VIII concentrates

I have just received your letter of 17th December. Obviously I shall pay full attention to what you have said and will take the necessary action in agreement with other people involved. I note that you have only copied this letter to Harold Gunson for information. However, I should point out that following our meeting at Elstree the agreed view of action of participants was that Arthur Bloom and Charles Rizza should inform the Haemophilia Directors of their reasonable right to know the proper basis supporting manufacturers' claims of safety for products in connection with hepatitis-reduced factor VIII now about to reach the UK market; equally it was agreed that it would be appropriate if the Haemophilia Directors were to seek advice from the Medicines Division concerning the best action to be taken with these new products. Since you clearly have altered your view since the meeting, it would seem right that your letter should have been addressed to the Chairman or at least copied to him, since he might feel that further discussion was necessary.

Alternatively you might indicate that I should discuss your letter with Arthur Bloom, bringing your new attitudes to his attention.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

R. S. LANE.