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Dear Christopher

Following your presentation last week to the Edinburgh HIV Discussion Group you asked me to confirm that more than one batch of SNBTS FVIII, known to contain an HIV-positive donation, was treated by our early heat treatment method.

I have checked our records on this and can confirm that there were a total of four heat treated FVIII batches issued for clinical use which were prepared from plasma pools known (retrospectively) to have contained an HIV-antibody positive donation.

Two of these batches were heated for 2 hours and two were heated for 24 hours the temperature in all cases being 68°C (not 60°C as you suggested at the symposium).

Should you require more information on these batches please feel free to contact Bruce Cuthbertson who will be pleased to assist you.

Best wishes.

Yours sincerely

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