Dear Dr Foster,

Re: Manuscript - Calcium Stabilised FVIII

Thank you for letting me see this. Unfortunately Prema Greedharry has just left but I managed to get the manuscript to her.

I was very interested to read this. My impressions are:

1. I don’t know which Journal you are considering. I doubt if it comes within the realm of the general haematology journals. As a referee and past assistant editor of several journals my initial thoughts are that the paper is very well written but too long. Could you cut it down by say 30%?

Also of course the work has been overtaken to some extent by the course of events and other concentrates. You would know better than I would how the results are still relevant to fractionators.

2. With regard to the clinical result could I suggest the following additions?

a) The patient was a severely affected adult haemophiliac (basal VII/C <1 u/dl) with no evidence of inhibitor.

b) He had received many infusions of factor VIII concentrate and was HIV antibody positive.

c) He gave informed consent and the protocol had received ethical approval from the appropriate committees.

d) He had not received any factor VIII therapy for at least 7 days before each treatment.

e) Page 9 line 3 instead of 2.1% or less I think that less than 0.02 u/ml would be better.

3. Minor points. Page 8 first paragraph line 7. How long was it held.

4. Page 13 paragraph 2 and page 14 last paragraph. In general avoid word "essentially the same". Suggest something like "similar to".
I enjoyed reading the manuscript and thank you for sending it.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

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