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Dear Eleni,

I had another thought over the weekend. As you know, through CONTINUUM, we are able to find 20 test participants and, bearing in mind the list in your last fax, could go ahead with the following: 5 HIV positives, 5 lupus patients, 5 HIV negative gay men with risk factors and 5 individuals of African origin.

We of course want to include the rest of the list you sent, but apart from the extra costs, it will also entail a big persuasion exercise with several consultants in order to be able to get hold of the blood specimens and the consent of the individuals concerned.

I was wondering if there is any chance that you could go ahead with the testing of the following:

- 5 alcoholics with chronic hepatitis C
- 5 oral drug users (cocaine crack)
- 5 individuals with candida albicans
- 5 multitransferred thalassaemia patients

We would therefore not need any extra money for our end, and you would provide an essential part of the tests from Perth. This would all be done in close consultation between yourselves, Dr Andrew Taylor and ourselves. What do you think?

If this is out of the question, I hope you may still be able to consider providing the extra funding for us and we will go all out to try to get hold of the above list ourselves.

Our timetable is quite tight now. Huw and I are finding the participants now and will get blood samples to the Robens by mid June. We hope to get all of the results sorted out by the end of July. Can you work within that timetable for your 20 tests?

Look forward to hearing from you soonest, and to the answer to those two questions in my last fax !.

All the best,

Love,

