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Dear Luc,

We have submitted your paper to Science for publication. It appears that all AIDS related papers will be published in May. Since your paper is in press and will be published shortly, I would like to get the RUB cell line and carry out a detailed comparison of the genome of the RUB virus with other HTLV isolates. All this work will be on a collaborative basis, and we will send you our results as soon as they are ready. In addition, we will not give out this cell line to anybody without your permission. If you agree we would also like * to carry out molecular cloning of RUB. I shall appreciate it if you could let us know when we can expect the cell line.

Best regards.

Sincerely yours,

Bob

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* I understand if you
don't want us to do
this i.e. cloning -
however, I would like
to push you on the comparative
studies.