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Dear Françoise:

It was a pleasure to meet you in Atlanta. I am only sorry that your visit was so brief.

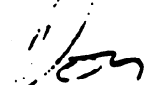
As promised, this letter is an official expression of our desire to collaborate with you on AIDS research. The collaboration should involve two major areas: sharing of information and sharing of specimens. We have begun in both of these areas already. Now I propose the following for the future.

- 1) Primate inoculation of RUB and/or INO cell supernatant. As soon as you can get fresh material to us, we will inoculate a rhesus monkey with them.
- 2) Serologic testing. We would like to test more European and African cases of AIDS. We can send you serum from U.S. cases if you can tell me the types you desire.
- 3) Sharing of additional cell lines/viruses. We will be willing to share our possible lines/viruses with you if you are willing to do the same.
- 4) Exchange of DNA and nucleic acid probes. As these are available, we are willing to share them with you if you are willing to do the same.

Any publications that should result from any collaborative effort will be co-authored with both groups and cleared prior to publication by all involved.

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely yours,

  
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