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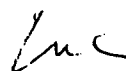
Dear Bob,

I learned from Jean-Claude Chermann that you have made isolates morphologically similar to LAV. This is good news for all of us, and I share with you the feeling that this is time to make closer the collaboration between our laboratories.

To begin with, I would suggest two things :

- 1/ Exchange of material : it is important to investigate the relatedness of proteins of your isolates to LAV p25. You have already positive sera from some of our patients, but we could send you more, if required.
- 2/ Exchange of information : sending of manuscripts, even prior to acceptance. You have probably received from Gazollo two manuscripts we have recently submitted. The one on EIAV was originally submitted to Science and asked for revision. To save time, I preferred to withdraw it and to submit it to another journal. It is now in press. Information on ongoing projects : molecular cloning, monoclonal antibodies, etc ...

Sincerely,



L. Montagnier