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Dear Dani,

It was good to see you at the recent AIDS meeting. I'm very glad you were able to come, and I hope you will be at all of them in the future. I'm sorry you couldn't stay until the end of the meeting. Perhaps the more interesting and more valuable discussions occurred at the very end. In any case, we were still short of time by about three hours. I probably should have made it a two-day meeting, but then probably we wouldn't have had such a high percentage of people coming.

Regarding your request for material from Ray Gilden, I will write directly to Ray to state that I think that this is a high priority. Please deal with him directly from now on. We would appreciate receiving adequate supplies of the monoclonal antibodies for routine surveys in our isolation attempts. It is possible some of those might be important in picking up virus when our anti-p19 misses. I hope we can set this up as a routine immediately.

I'm sorry we didn't have a chance to discuss your famous letter from Scolnick asking you for sera and molecular clones to HTLV. You probably know he tried Yoshida first, then Essex, then Mullins, then indirectly some people in my lab., then you, and now I have a letter directly from him too. I don't think there's much to discuss. I in no way would want any materials sent to him on HTLV. Despite the fact that he says it is for experimental purposes and he has no commercial interest in them, you explain to me then or at least have him explain to you what is the reason for his interest? Let him define it precisely. I am sure it is not to foster our careers or to help solve any of the problems that we are interested in. Quite obviously he has commercial ideas in mind or mischief. He certainly had no interest in human retroviruses; he certainly has shown evidence that he is not someone to trust and that he is not a friend. I don't see any reason that we need to send any reagent at any time to someone who is full time involved in commercial adventures. I think your role is a simple one here. You can simply direct him to me.

Let me know your thoughts. Kind regards.

Sincerely yours,

Robert C. Gallo

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