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Dear Francoise,

Thanks for sending me the article underlined in red. What I said was the truth. You got the TCGF from us and the original isolate essentially followed our HTLV-I protocols for getting LAV. I said you had cell lines from us and that you were at one time in our lab to learn about some cell cultures. I did not say for the T-cells. I think this is a minor point. I was responding to the dirt flung from Paris that the French had sent me so much and we hadn't sent them anything. You must have seen the many, many articles to this effect, so if I were you I wouldn't feel very sensitive. Clearly our work has given you all rather dramatic credit and visibility.

Regards.

Sincerely yours,  
*Bob*

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