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SP? Please be accurate to names!

Dear Donald:

On re-reading my letter to Gary, it is conceivable that he could construe it as a firm offer of collaboration. It was really meant to be a major discouragement to him by pointing out that he couldn't conduct a study on \$200,000. He requested me to testify on "world of epidemiology and intervention" with respect to the legislation. I refused.

Based on his past cavalier attitude toward effective study design and meaningful collaboration, we have no intention of collaborating with him beyond offering critique of his design and general advice as a normal professional courtesy.

I would be interested in your evaluation of his chromosomal findings in relationship to pesticide exposure, but I despair, as do you, of any "normal" or effective collaboration.

Cordially,

Henry Blackburn, MD
Professor and Director

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