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Dear Sir,

Dr Taylor has sent me on your letter of October 28th, with the data on 208 males and 130 females tested for blood group. I had previously received from Mr A.C. Scott, Town Clerk Depute, (October 10th), a batch of data on 1573 blood donors ^{from Glasgow}. I assume that your cases are additional to those sent by Mr Scott.

As considerable interest has been aroused by the possibility of using blood group frequencies for ethnographic comparisons within the British Isles, I feel I ought to call your attention to the very high percentage of B in the set of 338 which you send. The 64 cases out of 338 are, in fact, about 19%, and this will make your sample stand away from all others from the British Isles, or indeed from Europe. I suppose Glasgow, like other big sea ports, has its colony of Asiatics, and it may be you have been using some such district. An alternative suggests itself, which you may be glad to consider, namely that, with some ^B sera, I am told, that false positive results sometimes appear.

Yours sincerely