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ADDITIVES TO PARAQUAT FORMULATIONS

Thank you for your memo of 18 Dec 75, which went a little beyond what I thought we had agreed in our discussion - which was not actually starting up a research project but taking a fresh look at the feasibility of it. I will therefore ask Dr Swann to set up and head a small study group consisting of a pharmacologist and perhaps a chemist, drawn from Pharmacocutaneous Division, and a chemist from PPD, possibly from the paraquat/valuation of hazards team to do this.

The remit I propose to give the group is : to explore the feasibility of research to develop a chemical substance which could be incorporated in formulations of paraquat in order to ensure its rapid rejection if taken into the mouth, by emesis or other mechanisms, and thus prevent absorption of a lethal quantity of paraquat.

Please let me know if you have anything to add to the remit, particularly on economic or other technical constraints; and if you are in agreement with the idea of proceeding in this way, let me have suggestions for the PPD member of the group. I think the group should be kept small and have a majority of people not previously involved in thinking about this aspect of the paraquat problem if it is really to be looked at afresh.

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