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Dear Mr Leckey

Re: Adam Strain Deceased

Many thanks for asking me to provide an opinion in this sad case. As you will see, I am unable to throw any light on the cause of this child's death. I suspect that the answer lies in precise details of his clinical management and the examination of his brain. My only contribution is that I doubt this kidney would ever have functioned, and to confirm that he did indeed have severe desease of his own kidneys supporting the decision to carry out the transplant operation.

I would be pleased to comment further in the light of the final post-mortem report and neuropathology, but anticipate that you may well not ask me to do so!

With best wishes.

Yours sincerely

PROFESSOR PJ BERRY

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