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Dear Mr. Beardmore and Mr. Gush,

I hope this letter finds you well.

Thank you so much for the generous gift of £5,000 from Penguins Against Cancer towards our research into new treatments. We are so grateful for your continued support of our work in memory of Jean Davis and Ron Spedding.

This donation will be used to support work such as Dr Robert Chuter's research at the University of Manchester Dr Chuter is investigating which patients would benefit most from receiving treatment from two new radiotherapy techniques (Magnetic Resonance (MR)-guided radiotherapy and Proton beam radiotherapy).

These new techniques could help doctors precisely deliver a higher dose of radiation to the tumour, while avoiding nearby organs, in a way which is not possible with standard radiotherapy. However, in the UK, there are currently only two proton beam therapy centres (in London and Manchester) and three MR-guided radiotherapy machines, meaning that access to these technologies is not available to all patients.

Dr Chuter's research could be key in determining which patients can be treated with conventional radiotherapy, and who would receive a better result from the new technology. For example, patients who have tumours positioned closer to healthy organs. This evidence will be used to inform national recommendations for which patients should receive which types of radiotherapy treatment.

Thank you once again to everyone at fenguins Against Cancer for your ongoing support of our work and incredible fundraising achievements. I hope you had a wonderful, and well deserved, time celebrating at your 18th Anniversary Ball.

Yours sincerely,

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