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Dear Charlie,

Thank you so much for your letter.

I apologise for not replying to your letter dated the 7th May 2015. My colleague Andrea Lenis, who I believe you have had contact with, left on maternity leave mid-May and it was rather hectic while we're handing over so your letter must have got missed, for which I can only apologise.

I can confirm that all money received from Penguins for Cancer has been transferred into Dr Gore's Melanoma Research Fund and will go towards vital research into battling this particular type of skin cancer. Previous research has looked at trialling various drugs into metastatic Melanoma and comparing the results to other drugs on the market, in particular the trial of Vemurafenib which showed tumour shrinkage in 50% of patients compared with just 5% on the marketed drug. This fantastic result has increased understanding of Melanoma biology and is just the beginning of a long road into creating a treatment and then curing Melanoma patients.

We do appreciate the support of fundraisers like Penguins for Cancer so much as the money raised makes a such a difference to the patients and hospital, and if I could I would give you all London Marathon places but I'm afraid we have a strict policy of holding a ballot for this event. We receive very limited places for this event, and so much interest, and thus a ballot is the fairest way of handing them out.

I believe we have an application for a Penguins for Cancer place and so that will be entered into the ballot. I would otherwise suggest to look at running club places which are offered or even good for age places, to increase the chances of the number of places gained.

Thank you again for the support of Penguins for Cancer – the amount of money you've raised is fantastic and we can't thank you enough.

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