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Dear Friends,

Since we announced the creation of the Buffalo Neuroimaging Analysis Center's (BNAC) and Jacobs Neurological Institute (JNI) new diagnostic venous testing services a few weeks ago, we have been inundated with almost five hundred on-line registrations for the Core or Advanced Packages and thousands of email queries and phone calls. While we anticipated there would be great interest in these services, we clearly underestimated the number of people from all over North America and beyond who

would be interested in coming to BNAC and JNI.

Let me apologize for the wait you have had and to assure you that we are intensifying our efforts so we can respond to your desire to be tested.

In the next week, you will receive a phone call from BNAC-JNI notifying you of your preliminary status and an explanation of the next steps in your scheduling process. The legal consent form is almost complete and our revised start date is early March, 2010. We will begin by testing 10-20 people per week and that figure will increase progressively to 30-40 per week in the very near future.

In response to the many questions about the possibility of insurance coverage for these tests, we are moving forward but must continue to caution that we do not expect a decision on coverage for many months. We do not know at this time whether any coverage granted would be retroactive. For your convenience and assur-

ance, please check the BNAC website periodically for answers (currently being compiled) to frequently asked questions about insurance and other topics related to CCSVI diagnostic testing.

Over the past few weeks we have mobilized an expanded team of researchers and administrators, as well as hired additional staff at all levels to accommodate testing requests and your need to secure an appointment in the very near future.

Thank you for your understanding and patience. We look forward to welcoming you to BNAC-JNI and providing you with the highest level of expertise with regards to CCSVI diagnosis questions for which you are seeking answers.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'R. Zivadinov'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial 'R'.

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