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Dear Dr. Monsma,

I recently read an article in  $Brain\ Research$  by Dr. Monsma  $\underline{et\ al}$  in which they characterize  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  dopamine receptors in neuroblastoma cell lines. One important use of this cell line is for the  $\underline{in\ vitro}$  testing of neurotoxicants that potentially affect dopamine receptors. Dr. Monsma has refered me to you as the supplier of the NS20Y cells. I would kindly appreciate obtaining some of these NS20Y cells as a generous gift to initiate a colony here at the University of Cincinnati, Department of Environmental Health, specifically for examining the effects of "chronic" toxicant exposure on such nerve cells. In addition I would need the appropriate information as to any special requirements necessary to maintain these cells in culture. We will not pass the cell line on to anyone, and would make you aware of any results obtained with the cell line. Of course, I am more than willing to pay the necessary expenses for transportation and handling. Thank you in advance.

Sincerely,

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