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Dear Professor Montagnier, —

Like you I have been interested in AIDS since it was first diagnosed and have followed your work with great interest. I am pleased to note that lately our views, although still apart, apparently started to converge.

The Pasteur Mérieux advertisement on "Oxidative Stress and HIV Infection!" prompted me to write to you and ask your opinion on my views regarding the mechanism involved in developing AIDS.

In 1983 I put forward the hypothesis that both AIDS and HIV are the result of the oxidative stress to which the AIDS patients and the cell cocultures are subjected. Either alone or in collaboration with a few of my colleagues I have written many papers on the subject but managed to publish only an article in Med. Hypoth. and a letter in the Int. J. Radiation Oncology Biol. Phys. Since most probably you are unaware of them, I am enclosing a copy of them.

I would be very grateful if, after reading them, you could find the extra time to give me your comments and criticisms.

Yours sincerely,

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