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Dear Sirs

Studio House, Hampstead Hill Gardens

The samples you sent in relation to the above on 29/01/2014 have been examined. The structure was referable as follows:

TH1, 0.6m

1 root: some conifers; particularly like the family CUPRESSACEAE (cypresses ('macrocarpa', 'Leylandii' etc.), Thuja (Western Red Cedar), Junipers). A further sample, not examined in detail appeared similar under low magnification. Alive, recently*.

1 piece of BARK only, insufficient material for identification.

8 samples: unfortunately insufficient cells for identification.

I trust this is of help. Please call us if you have any queries; our Invoice is enclosed.

Yours faithfully

Dr Ian B K Richardson

* Based mainly on the Iodine test for starch. Starch is present in some cells of a living woody root, but is more or less rapidly broken down by soil micro-organisms on death of the root, sometimes before decay is evident. This result need not reflect the state of the parent tree.

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