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Dear Bob,

MR.WILLIAM MURPHY - 07.11.34.
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I am sure you are familiar with this man who is a haemophiliac with portal hypertension and Hepatitis C antibodies. He was referred to me by the Haematologists because he is complaining of problems from a recurrent left inguinal hernia which was repaired under my care in 1987.

He tells me that the hernia has been less troublesome since he started a diuretic, and on examination, it is clear that the major reason for his recurrence is ascites.

I am reluctant to proceed to repair of the hernia again, as it would seem to me that his overall prognosis is fairly poor. However, I would value your advice.

Yours sincerely,

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Reader in Surgery.