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Mr Paul Le Bourn

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Dear Mr Le Bourn

I have just received the latest results on your blood regarding the Hepatitis situation. I have discussed them in detail with the microbiologists who are expert in the interpretation of these tests. It looks as though you have low grade Hepatitis C on board at the moment, which is disturbing your liver function very slightly. I must stress that the changes are very slight, but nevertheless I should like you to see my colleague, Professor GRO D who is the expert in the management of Hepatitis. An appointment will come from his secretary in the near future and I shall be following you up as usual in the Chest Clinic regarding the emphysema.

With kind regards.

Yours sincerely

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Dear Mick

Paul Le Bourn, **GRO-C**
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I would be very grateful if you would see this man, who has severe emphysema and who is being considered either for lung transplantation or lung reduction surgery. In fact both of these options have been felt to be inappropriate at the present time while he has sufficient lung function to get about.

During routine testing for possible lung transplantation at Papworth it was discovered that he is Hepatitis C positive, and you will see from the recent result that he is RNA positive as well, which I presume means some degree of activity. His ALT is slightly raised.

I have not told Mr Le Bourn that his tests have also shown evidence of previous Hepatitis B. I did not want to question him closely on his sexual and possible IV drug habits, although I think you may have to do this. As far as I know he has never had a blood transfusion, but again I have not asked directly.

I would be most grateful if you would see him. He is a rather introverted, anxious and questioning man, who will require quite a bit of your time. I am sure that you will be able to put his mind at rest on the Hepatitis question much better than me, and you may feel that he deserves treatment at this stage.

With kind regards.

Yours sincerely

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