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1 October 1999

Professor Hayes
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Dear Professor Hayes

Mrs Feyona McFarlane

**GRO-C** 

(dob GRO-C 1957)

You will have a copy of Mrs McFarlane's normal ultrasound and I shall arrange to have this checked six monthly at the Borders General Hospital. I would appreciate your advice on what blood tests you would like monitored on a regular basis and their frequency.

Mrs McFarlane has derived considerable benefit using GRO-C as an analgesia in recent weeks and is keen to legitimise this therapy. We have a patient with multiple sclerosis in the practice who receives GRO-C on a named patient basis and I would appreciate your advice on this therapy in someone with Hep C..

I look forward to hearing from you in due course.

Yours sincerely

Dr Andrew Sutherland

## The Lothian University Hospitals NHS Trust



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7 October 1999

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Dear Dr Sutherland				nii
MRS FEYONA McFARLAN	ve [	GRO-C		(DoB GRO-C 57)
Thank you for your letter about this lady. I was a little surprised to learn that Mrs McFarlane has been using GRO-C as an analgesia as I would not have thought that she needed this over and above simple analgesics such as Paracetamol. Clearly, a GRO-C has not been through the normal drug development stages and its safety therefore in patients with chronic liver problems cannot be assured. I would therefore be reluctant to endorse her use of this agent, although clearly if she is taking it of her own volition and believes she is deriving benefit she is likely to continue. Personally I would not have thought there was a strong case for using GRO-C on a named patients basis in hepatitis C. Sorry this letter is a little negative.				
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