

ANONYMOUS

Witness Name: **GRO-B**

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INFECTED BLOOD INQUIRY

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24 June 1993
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Dear Dr GRO-B

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Diagnosis: von Willebrand's disease.

I reviewed this lady in the Haemophilia Centre today. I am pleased to say that she has been well since she was seen at her last review appointment. In particular she has had no episodes of bleeding. However, I did notice that she had a resolving haematoma on her right lower leg, which she says followed trauma about seven or eight days ago. She is certain that the swelling has decreased in size and did not require any treatment. She tells me that she is GRO-B. She had her second hepatitis A vaccination in February of this year, and antibody levels done following this show that she is now immune to hepatitis A. However we would plan to give her a third dose of hepatitis A vaccine in December when she comes for her next review appointment. Unfortunately she has still not responded to hepatitis B vaccine.

Examination today was unremarkable, apart from a large bruise on her right lower leg, which she says has been present for seven days and is getting smaller. I had a long discussion with GRO-B today about hepatitis C. We know from previous blood tests that GRO-B has antibodies against hepatitis C. We are currently running a joint Liver/Haematology Clinic with Dr Peter Hayes, Hepatologist, and I have invited GRO-B to come to the clinic on the 3rd August to discuss hepatitis C further. We are currently undertaking further investigations in our patients who are known to have hepatitis C, and in particular, we are hoping to do endoscopies and possibly laparoscopic liver biopsies, if appropriate. I discussed both these things with GRO-B today. We will probably offer GRO-B treatment with Interferon.

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GRO-B was quite understandably rather upset by this news and she should feel free to come back to speak to us at any time if she has any queries. Hopefully we will be able to answer some of her questions when she comes in August. I have suggested to her that she may like to bring her fiance with her to her next clinic appointment.

Yours sincerely

Rosemary Dennis
Clinical Assistant to Dr C A Ludlam

Yours sincerely