

**ANONYMOUS**

Witness Name: **GRO-B**

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12th November, 1979

Dr. Alistair Parker,  
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Dear Alistair,

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Further to our phone conversation, I saw ~~this 10 year old haemophilic boy~~ <sup>446 RD.</sup> and his parents, who have now arrived in the GRO-B on 5th November.

There is no family history of any bleeding disorders. GRO-B was born in the Herts & Essex Hospital, Bishop Stortford, following a normal pregnancy and delivery at 42 weeks gestation, weighing 7 lbs. 1 oz. and had no neonatal problems. When he began to crawl around the age of 8 - 9 months, his parents noticed a few slightly raised bruises. At 11½ months he fell, injuring his frenulum which oozed blood steadily for the next 7 days. He was admitted to Addenbrooke's Hospital in Cambridge and transfused with 1 pint of blood and 200 cc. of fresh frozen plasma. His Factor VIII assay measured within 24 hours of the transfusion, was 56% and as far as I can gather no further assays were carried out. GRO-B was registered as a haemophilic. He has subsequently been given cryo at age 2½ years for a bitten tongue, around 7 years for a haemarthrosis in his right elbow secondary to trauma, at 8 years for a haemarthrosis in his right knee and at 9 years also for a haemarthrosis in the right knee. He has never required any dental extractions or surgery. He had no bleeding from his immunisations, including the booster given after his diagnosis of haemophilia. His parents were apparently not warned to avoid intramuscular injection.

On examination I found him to be a cheerful, intelligent boy, with no evidence of fresh bleeding. However his right knee was warm and slightly swollen and he was unable to flex or extend it fully. There was wasting of his right quadriceps and calf muscles, with some limitation of plantar flexion. He is right handed and ~~there was also some 20° of extension in his right elbow.~~ GRO-B I saw him jointly with GRO-B who has shown GRO-B and his parents exercises to increase joint mobility and who has arranged to keep him under regular review.

On clinical grounds GRO-B appears to be a very mild haemophilic. I shall be interested to hear what his true Factor VIII level is. I would be most grateful to have your guidance on future Factor VIII treatment and the administrative arrangements for carrying this out.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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