

Witness Name: C R Squires

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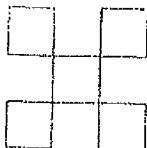
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Dear Dr Siddiqui

Cain Squires GRO-C 75

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I have taken over from Dr Blecher and Dr French as Haemophilia Director at this Centre.

Cain was diagnosed as having mild Factor IX deficiency in 1983 and has been treated with Factor IX concentrate in the past. In line with our investigation of all haemophiliacs for a possible virus infection, he was seen in August of this year at the Queen's Medical Centre for review.

I can confirm that he is HIV antibody negative and Hepatitis B antigen negative. However, he has been exposed to the Hepatitis C virus in that he is Hepatitis C antibody positive and in fact shows evidence of chronic viraemia in that he is PCR positive. This is almost certainly due to exposure to non-heat treated Factor IX concentrate.

Hepatitis C infection may lead to chronic liver disease in a proportion of patients that have been infected. It is not clear what risk factors predict an individual's chance of developing this complication and at present all require regular follow-up. Cain's liver function tests have been normal but these have not been tested very regularly and I would suggest that he has LFTs checked at least three times a year. I should be very grateful for a copy of any results.

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Re Cain Squires

It is likely that some form of therapy will be available within a relatively short time to try and eradicate Hepatitis C infection and if this is so then Cain will be a candidate as he is registered with this Centre. In the meantime I would like to review him every six months.

Yours sincerely

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