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HAEMOPHILIA AND HAEMOSTASIS CENTRE

TELEPHONE	GRO-C	GRO-C
RD/MD/ GRO-B		
12th January 1995		
Dr Orr		
GRO-C		
Dear Dr Orr		
GRO-	В	
Diagnosis: Haemophili Hepatitis		

I was pleased to see GRO-B today. He was well and has now completed 1 year's treatment with Interferon. His visual symptoms have resolved and there is no clinical sign of eye disease. He has been seen again by Dr Dhillon, Consultant Ophthalmologist who has not arranged to see him again.

I discussed our most recent results with <code>GRO-B</code> and <code>Dr Ludlam</code>. Initially he showed quite a good response to <code>Interferon</code>. His <code>ALT pre-treatment</code> level of 137 U/L fell to 77 U/L after 3 months of treatment with Roferon A. His hepatitis C RNA measured by quantative PCR also fell from a level 10^{*6} to a negative level at 12 weeks. However, following this his ALT bounced up to over 300 and there was a corresponding rise in the level of hepatitis C RNA measured by quantitative PCR to 10^{6-7} . He was therefore changed from Roferon A to Intron A in September 1994 and has now completed 18 weeks treatment with Intron A. Unfortunately, there has been no dramatic improvement in his liver function tests and his ALT in December was 174 U/L with a hepatitis C RNA measured by quantitative PCR of 10^5 . We have therefore stopped treatment with Interferon today and will be monitoring his liver function closely over the next few months.

He is going to have blood taken when he next attends in 4 weeks time to collect home treatment and we will see him in the clinic in 2 months time.

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Yours sincerely

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