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Dear Dr MacGregor,

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I had the pleasure of seeing Robert Leitch in the Haematology new patient clinic on 16th November 2016. You sent him to Haematology because of an episode of easy and extensive bruising in August of this year.

I checked his file and found that his coagulation screen did have a slightly prolonged APTT, which was recurrent, but the main thing seemed to me to be that his liver function tests were always quite deranged, namely for a very increased ALT and less increased AST and for a very increased Gamma GT. That is a profile typical of alcoholic liver disease and this gentleman, although he has not been drinking for more than a decade, does have a past history of alcoholic liver disease, which may be the cause of this susceptibility to easy bruising. Besides, he was previously on anti-inflammatories, namely Ibuprofen and Naproxen, which by themselves may induce bruising.

His physical examination showed a slightly overweight man with a vesicular rash in the upper part of his anterior thorax and, apart from that, no other relevant findings, namely of bruises or of evidence of bleeding. Although I do not think that this episode of bruising was due to his liver disease, as I said above, I will do a coagulation screen and will have him come in 2 months to discuss the results of that coagulation screen, of which I will inform you as soon as he comes back to us.

Yours truly

Ricardo Marques da Costa
Haematology Consultant

Electronically Signed: Dr Ricardo Marques da Costa, Consultant

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