Re: File location Re: 7/12/23 Re: APPOINTMENT WITH DR. SVENSSON



From ligk HO <holigk@hotmail.com>

To Vincent Ho <hbv@rawbw.com>

Date 2023-07-13 09:38

You need a GI doctor (either a gastroenterologist or a gut surgeon on) to look at the whole GI. tract. From stomach down to the terminal ilium.

Fresh blood coming with stool is usually haemorrhoids. The bleeding though clearly seen n alarming is actually not as much as internal bleeding higher up. It usually stops after the bowel movement n the haemorrhoids retract into the rectum. They can easily see the haemorrhoids with PER RECTAL digital examination with a short protoscope. Beside haemorrhoids do note cause weight loss. So even if you go have haemorrhoids they are births cause if your problem. Cancer of the rectum can cause fresh blood bleeding as well. Most can be detected by digital examination. The rest by colonoscopy.

They must exclude , in order of likelihood,

- 1. Lymphoma of the terminal ilium
- 2. Ulcer and structure of the terminal

Ilium (secondary to Crohn's disease or side effects of your medications.)

- 3. Cancer of the terminal ilium
- 4. Cancer of the stomach
- 5. Ulcer of the stomach / duodenum
- 6. Cancer of the colon

I would do

- 1. A . Awhole intestinal endoscopy. N biopsy of any lesion detected. (this test may not be available in all hospitals, then repeat Gastroscopy and colonoscopy with attempt to enter the terminal ilium from the colon.)
- B Capsule endoscopy. Swallow a capsule with a camera imbedded. It will send video to the computer/ Mon as it passes from the stomach down to the colon. No use in the colon as the faeces will block the camera view.
- 2. MR
- 3. CT Mesenteric angiogram. ie

to show up the blood vessels of the intestines so as to see where is the bleeding site.

- 4. Stool for occult blood
- 5. If all the above are negative consult a haematogist for the cause of anaemia.

Dad

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On 13 Jul 2023, at 13:23, Vincent Ho <hby@rawbw.com> wrote:
I 100% agree, I read the report, and I think the doctors who read the CT scan is correct, the problem is not on other organs, but GI.
One thing about stool.I could BARELY see old blook in them, and they are pretty much small and un-alarming. BUt what is alarming is
when I have BM, sometimes the stook is so hard that, fresh blood literally came out from my anus, which was why I kept thinking about
haemoroids. Basically it just hurt to defecate. I would say the blood, in drips, is not with the stool, but rather sepearte, or stick
to the stool after defecate. THe blood drops is on the toilet itself.
One thing they never answered me. I asked about the hermroids because that was what they found during the colonoscopy.
My greatest worry is any bad things (Cancer) is actually not in the GI tract, but it seems things were confined to it.
Dr. Svenson told me to go to the GI clinic in Highland hospital, and will write a referal if needed. BUt what I also need to know is,
other than GI, is there any department I should also visit? A new colonoscopy? Get underneath the knifes so they can hit tiny
samples? HOw do we know the problem is directly GI related. Oncology is over kill right?
Love
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On Wed, 12 Jul 2023, ligk HO wrote:

Dear Vincent.

I read through the medical notes.

I am worried as something must be wrong and un-identified yet.

You have lost a frightening amount of weight (>20 Lbs) within a few months.

Your Haemoglobin dropped very fast from 14 gm to 11+ gm within 2-3 weeks. You have abdominal problems including constipation.

Your Blood pressure had dropped to 91/51 and came up back to normal again . (usually means a bout of bleeding)

This would mean you must be losing blood from a lesion in your Gastro-intestinal tract that also causes weight loss.

It is unlikely to be due to Cancer of the colon because your last colonoscopy was only done in September 2022. Carcinoma of Colon takes a few years to grow.

They also excluded many of the common causes of weight loss including Diabetes, Thyrotoxicosis, Carcinoma of Liver and Pancreas.

Weight loss and constipation can be caused by poor diet and malnutrition which can also cause a low haemoglobin level but cannot explain the fast drop in Haemoglobin.

They also did not work up on other causes of low Haemoglobin (Anemia). I did not see a test for occult blood in your stool specimen. Nor blood levels of iron. Such quick drop in haemoglobin can only be caused by either bleeding or haemolysis. Haemolysis is red cell break up or destruction. Not very likely in your case but not impossible.

Look at your stool every time. It becomes tarry (block and shiny) if you bleed internally. Red blood only if you bleed near the rectum. From high up the blood changes to black color. If you see tarry stool or feel dizziness go to ER immediately.

I think you really need to take a good look at the "stricture" in the terminal Ileum. A repeat of Gastroscopy is also desirable as stomach ulcer can appear pretty quickly.

The terminal ileum can be looked at with Capsule endoscopy or Whole bowel endoscopy (enter via the mouth as in Gastroscopy but can be navigated through the small bowels up to the terminal ileum} MRI may also help.

Must put pressure on the Doctors to find out.

Keep me posted.

Dad

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