

Operation Rochester.

From 18th March 2009 to 20th April 2009 an inquest was held at Portsmouth Crown Court into ten of the deaths at Gosport war Memorial Hospital to determine the medical cause of deaths of the patients following on from this the jury were asked a series of questions regarding the appropriateness of the administration of medication.

With regard to Mr Geoffrey PACKMAN the jury's findings are:-

Medical cause of death Gastrointestinal Haemorrhage.

1. Did the administration of any medication contribute more than minimally or negligibly to the death of the deceased? Yes

If Yes

2. Was that medication given for therapeutic purposes? Yes

If Yes

3. Was that medication appropriate for the condition or symptoms from which the deceased was suffering? No

A full transcript of the inquest has been obtained, and is attached in CD format, during which evidence was tested by counsel. None of the experts when challenged wavered significantly from their statements.

Dr Black appeared on day six and his evidence with regard to Mr Packman can be read on pages 1-18.

Mrs Packman, day 10, pages 16-25.

Dr Wilcock, day 13, pages 44-66.

Dr Barton, day 12, pages 16-50.