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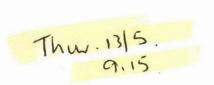
Dear Tanya

RE: ELISE DEVINE -Code A Code A

I would be most grateful for your help in managing this charming 87 year old lady who is moderately frail, but very bright mentally. She has presented with peripheral oedema and hypoalbuminaemia. Looking back to March last year she had hypoalbuminaemia and was treated then for cardiac failure. On investigation now, however, she has got +++ proteinuria with an albumin of 20 and a 24 hour urine protein of 4.4 g. Her creatinine is 151, the kidneys are slightly small on ultrasound, there are a few white cells in the urine but no casts or red cells. Her full blood count is currently normal but her ESR is 91. She has an IgA Lambda paraprotein of 5.9 g/l with a suppressed IgG to 3.7 g/l, but negative Bence Jones. Her chest x-ray was reported as not showing any lytic lesions and the results of skeletal survey are awaited. Her adjusted calcium is 2.42.

Therefore, this lady has nephrotic syndrome and a paraproteinaemia. I'm not sure whether she has myeloma, or perhaps she has some other haematological or lymphoreticular disease as a primary problem.

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At present her only treatment is Thyroxine  $100\ \mathrm{mcg}$  daily and Frusemide  $80\ \mathrm{mg}$  daily.

Thank you very much for your help - I will be very interested to hear what you think of her.

Kind Regards.

Yours sincerely

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