

# Expert Review

**Charles Hall**

**No. BJC/23**

**Date of Birth:**

**Code A**

**Date of Death: 6 August 1993**

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Mr Hall was admitted to Gosport War Memorial Hospital on 5 July 1993 after he had undergone a sigmoid colectomy and colostomy following diverticulitis and a gangrenous gall bladder.

On admission, in addition to the rehabilitation issues following his abdominal surgery, he was suffering pain in his left foot which was associated with vascular disease.

He was started in August on oral Morphine which was converted to Diamorphine via a syringe driver on 5 August 1993.

The experts note that although he undoubtedly had severe underlying disease the acceleration from one dose of Oramorph to 40mgs of Diamorphine was sub optimal treatment.