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Mrs Tracy HARRINGTON 28 Stepmoon Street FALCON WA 6210

Dear Tracy,

I have your blood and stool results back. The majority of the tests are normal.

The only 2 abnormal tests were your CRP which is a marker of inflammation in your body, this was slightly elevated at 6.5 mg/L with the normal being < 5 mg/L.

The other abnormal finding was in your stool specimen where your faecal calprotectin level was mildly elevated at 110 ug/g, with the normal being < 100 ug/g.

The faecal calprotectin is a very sensitive marker for any kind of inflammation in your gut. It can occur with infection in the gut, it can also occur with inflammatory bowel disease including things like Crohn's disease.

The levels are very low, but together with the slightly elevated CRP it may mean that you do have some mild grumbling gut disease of some sort and this of course could account for the sensation you described to me of your gut feeling like it was burning and more severely after eating.

I think the next step to investigate this is to discuss it with Dr Myburgh, your GP. Either the tests could just be repeated in 3 months or he could refer you through to a Gut Specialist for consideration of a colonoscopy. I will leave that up to you to discuss with Dr Myburgh.

Your markers for sarcoidosis were normal, so I would be very confident that you don't have sarcoidosis like your son. Your other autoimmune markers are also normal, so I don't think we are dealing with any other autoimmune disease either.

I will wait for you to do your lung function testing and once I have the results of that, I will get back to you.

I will send a copy of this letter to Dr Myburgh, so that he knows what I have discussed with you.

Yours sincerely

Dr Colin Somerville

Dictated by Dr Somerville and signed electronically

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