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NAME
AUTOPSY NO. UNIT NO. 8-19-06
TIME OF DEATH 6:25 a.m.
TIME OF AUTOPSY 3:00 p.m.
PATHOLOGIST Horton A. Johnson, M.D.

AUTOPSY REPORT

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Summary:

This 52 year old white male was known to have Hodgkin's disease since October of 1965. He had received several courses of chemotherapy. He had been jaundiced since July of 1968. This man apparently died of hepatic insufficiency with deepening jaundice, elevated transaminase, kephalin flocculation, and alkaline phosphatase. This was thought to be an intrahepatic obstructive jaundice secondary to the Hodgkin's disease, and indeed the jaundice did decrease noticeably following a course of nitrogen mustard in August of 1968.

The autopsy showed Hodgkin's disease chiefly of abdominal and retroperitoneal lymph nodes, spleen, and bone marrow. Microscopically the liver showed extensive periportal Hodgkin's infiltrations. The larger bile ducts were dilated suggesting that at some levels they must have been occluded by the surrounding Hodgkin's disease and fibrosis. There were regions of hepatocellular necrosis associated with the Hodgkin's lesions. Although G.I. bleeding was a prominent feature of this man's terminal course, at autopsy there was no fresh or old blood in the G.I. tract and the gastrointestinal mucosa was intact. The large and small intestines were severely distended with gas indicating a paralytic ileus. There was no anatomical obstruction of the G.I. tract.

Anatomical Diagnosis:

Hodgkin's disease of retroperitoneal lymph nodes, spleen, liver, and bone marrow.
Splenomegaly.
Jaundice.
Ascites.
Pulmonary edema.
Focal aspiration pneumonia.
Petechiae of skin.
Paralytic ileus.
Hemosiderosis of liver, spleen, and marrow.
Hypoplasia of bone marrow.
Benign adenomatous goiter.
Pulmonary emphysema.

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