A Well, it can cause two problems. One is, when it obstructs, the fluid has no place to go, so it re-accumulates. And the second is that, if you have a foreign material sitting now in the vessel with nothing going through it, it is a prime candidate for infection and a very serious infection if it develops.

Q Now, what was Mr. Vandergucht's date of death?

A November 9th, 1981.

Q Do you have an opinion to a reasonable degree of medical certainty as to what the cause of his death was, Dr. Rubin?

A Yes.

Q And what is that opinion?

A The cause of death was a malignant mesothelioma of the peritoneum.

Q Do you have an opinion, again, with reasonable medical certainty, as to what the cause was of his peritoneal malignant mesothelioma?

A Yes.