

1 . medical records, was a cigarette smoker.

2 Is there, again, in your opinion to a
3 medical degree of certainty any significance to that
4 smoking history?

5 A No.

6 Q That has no effect whatsoever on the cause
7 of his mesothelioma?

8 A No. Obviously smoking is very important.
9 Cigarette smoke carcinogens have no effect on the
10 development of mesotheliomas.

11 There is no increased incidence of smokers
12 versus nonsmokers with respect to the development of
13 mesothelioma.

14 Q Now, what caused Mr. Grewe -- when did he
15 first go to the hospital?

16 A October 1, 1992.

17 Q What was his complaint at that time?

18 A His chief complaint was shortness of breath,
19 and also he described to the one doctor that he had a
20 splashing sound in his left chest.

21 Q Is that consistent with pleural effusion?