respiratory exposure to asbestos, typically occupationally.

Q Now, Mr. Vandergucht, when he was admitted -- he was admitted to the hospital back in 1980?

A Yes.

Q And was he -- was there a workup, a medical workup done of Mr. Vandergucht?

A Yes.

Q And what exactly was done and how was he treated?

A Well, initially he went into the hospital to have what was felt to be a hernia repair, umbilical hernia repair. And at the time of that operation he was found to have a mass, a tumor, a cancer in his abdomen.

And it was not initially clear whether this was a primary tumor of the lining of the abdomen, of the peritoneum, a mesothelioma, or whether it was a spread of a different kind of tumor to the abdomen.

And for that reason, as part of the initial