

1 don't have this on an overhead, ladies and gentlemen,
2 but this is from Dr. Benjamin's notes and it is in
3 July of 1993.

4 A little bit, two months or so before this
5 time and his current regimen is now 240 milligrams of
6 MS Contin every eight hours.

7 Is that a significant dose, Doctor?

8 A That is an industrial dose of narcotics.
9 Those are huge doses.

10 Q What is the usual -- is there a customary
11 dose that is used when an individual has general
12 surgery or major surgery?

13 A Well, in general we would use intravenous or
14 subcutaneous injections of morphine and we would use
15 two to five milligrams.

16 Now, the absorption here, this is oral, so
17 the absorption is different from giving it
18 intravenously, by probably a factor of 10 or so.

19 This would be 10 times the dose we give
20 somebody coming out of major surgery.

21 Q In addition, he was given four milligrams of