## Dear Ms Conlon

Thank you for sending me Dr Dyer's report. This is a carefully argued report and is accompanied by the literature supporting the argument. While I agree in principle with the argument I found little in the brain to support a diagnosis of hypoxia as the cause of the brain swelling and of Adam's death. It must be remembered that although he died 24 hours after the operation the classical reactive changes which characterise hypoxic damage may not have had time to become fully apparent.

This report does not affect my opinion. Yours sincerely

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