

15th August 2018

Dear Doctor,

Re: Mr Ian Makepeace

Thank you for seeing Mr Ian Makepeace at the neurosurgery clinic. Ian has had chronic unilateral (right sided) hearing loss for approximately 4 years associated with tinnitus and mild vertiginous symptoms. More recently Ian is complaining of a numb right side of his face and a dry right eye.

Ian had a positive head impulse exam, but was hall pike negative. He had no postural drop of BP and was Romberg negative. His Rinne and Weber test indicated loss of sensorineural hearing on the right.

He had paraesthesia in the distribution of his right trigeminal nerve, and an absent corneal reflex on the right side. All other cranial nerves were normal, upper and lower limb as well as cerebellar investigation revealed no further abnormalities.

I had previously sent Ian for pure tone audiometry, which demonstrated asymmetrical sensorineural hearing loss, more prominent in the higher frequencies and speech discrimination affected out of proportion.

Ian is otherwise mostly well; he has mod COPD (FEV1/FVC 65% of predicted) and GORD symptoms.

Medications:

Pantoprazole 40mg daily

Salbutamol PRN

Spiriva daily

Ian is a fit gentleman who swims three days a week. He is an ex-smoker with a 20-pack year history. He does not drink alcohol, and he is a vegan.

Thank you,

Dr Michelle Guppy