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Patient: **Ms. Sophia Regina Hankes**, born , Netherlands

Diagnosis: **Disabling Positional Vertigo**

Treatment: **Vacular Decompression of the right Cranial Nerve No. VIII** via a lateral suboccipital Craniotomy at 24th November 2000

To whom it may concern:

This letter is written on behalf of Ms. Sophia Regina Hankes, born , who stayed in our hospital from 17th November 2000 till 6th December 2000.
Ms. Hankes complained of severe vertigo when turning her head to the right since 1992. She even periodically lost conciousness. Extensive diagnostic procedures couldn't establish a diagnosis so far.
Ms. Hankes now presented at our department for further treatment. A high resolution thin sliced MRI of the right cerebello-pontine-angle revealed the compression of the Cranial Nerves VII and VIII in the right CPA, via a loop of the right anterior inferior cerebellar artery. The neurological exam on admission showed no neurological deficits, except the symptoms mentioned; no signs of facial palsy or hearing loss.
At 24th November 2000 we performed the vascular decompression of the right vestibular nerve* via a lateral suboccipital craniotomy. Postoperative course was uneventful, Ms. Hankes is now no longer complaining of vertigo, she can perfectly move her head, hearing function is unchanged. The postoperative CT-scan showed normal conditions, wound healed without problems.
Due to the long and disabling history and the nature of the intervention, we do strongly recommend postoperative rehabilitation in a experienced institution for 3-4 weeks.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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* and the medulla oblongata due to a thickened vertebral artery