Juvenile Rheumatoid Arthritis
A Dramatic Case

The most serious case treated at the CHUL.

Martin has had juvenile arthritis since the age of thirteen. His body is crammed full of anti-inflammatories.

We have had the system for five months, and two months ago Martin started to reduce his doses of medication, without consulting his doctor. He went from 20 mg of Cortisone to 2 mg, and from 1000 mg of Naproxen to 500 mg.

My boy has to have monthly check-ups at the CHUL. Last Friday he went to see his rheumatologist, Charlotte Grondin. When she saw him she said, "Do you take your medication?" He said: "Yes". She replied, "That's impossible. You're telling me fibs. The swelling has all gone down. Tell me the truth." He answered, "The truth is that we bought the RHUMART system five months ago."

She said, "Martin doesn't trust me, so I can't trust him. Why should I continue to look after him? It costs the taxpayer a lot of money."

Martin was completely lost after her brain-washing. She told him he would never get better. She added he had chronic arthritis and he should face facts:

**IT'S FOR LIFE!**

To make a long story short, in the last two months Martin has started to enjoy life. He's able to smile and to play jokes - he's even starting to get on my nerves! I think he's starting to feel like a normal boy.

It's interesting to see the changes since he started to use the RHUMART system. Dr. Grondin noticed that there was less inflammation...

Now he can get through the nights without pain. I no longer have to give him Tylenol at 5 a.m. so that he'll be able to get out of bed in the morning. And I don't have to give him breakfast in bed now either.

I think that a lot of his problems were caused by the huge doses of medication that he was taking: 1000 mg of Naproxen every day - that's more than you would give a grown man.

**RHUMART is our last hope**, because we've tried chiropractors, acupuncture, iridology and the "Sunrider" products - just about everything.

For now things are going very well with RHUMART and Martin is really confident. He says he's going to get better:

"I know in my heart I'm going to get better - that I won't have to have plastic hips, and that I'll be able to play hockey again like before."

(He was supposed to get plastic hips this winter but the operation has been postponed until July.)

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