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1. CASE NO. CCN 900305 CAN 1140		2. INVESTIGATOR'S ID 0 2 6 8		3. OFFICE CODE 9 1 2	
4. DATE OF ACCIDENT YR MO DAY 9 0 0 2 1 5			5. DATE INVESTIGATION INITIATED YR MO DAY 9 0 0 3 2 7		

EPIDEMIOLOGIC INVESTIGATION REPORT

6. SYNOPSIS OF ACCIDENT OR COMPLAINT 10 month infant girl drowns when left unattended in an infant bath tub ring.

7. LOCATION (Home, school, etc.) Home	8. CITY Eau Claire	9. STATE WI
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10A. FIRST PRODUCT Bath Tub Ring Baby Sitter 4021 11314	11A. TRADEBRAND NAME, MODEL NUMBER, MANUFACTURER'S ADDRESS "Baby Sitter" bath tub ring Patent #223263	12. STATE A-Plus Products, Inc. P.O. Box 2975 Beverly Hills, CA 90213
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10B. SECOND PRODUCT 0 6 1 1	11B. TRADEBRAND NAME, MODEL NUMBER, MANUFACTURER'S ADDRESS
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12. AGE OF VICTIM 2 1 0	13. SEX (Use numerical code) MALE -1 FEMALE -2 UNKNOWN -3 2	14. DISPOSITION Hospital, Eau Claire, WI Transfer to St. Paul, MN	15. INJURY DIAGNOSIS Drowning 69
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16. BODY PART APB	17. RESPONDENT(S) (Mother, Friend) 87 Parents	18. TYPE INVESTIGATION ON SITE 1 TELEPHONE 2 OTHER 3 3	19. TIME SPENT 1 3 5
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20. ATTACHMENTS Multiple	21. CASE SOURCE 9 Newspaper	22. REVIEWED BY 8929	YR MO DAY 9 0 0 5 1 4
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23. PERMISSION TO DISCLOSE NAMES (NON-FATAL CASES ONLY)
 CPSC MAY DISCLOSE MY NAME CPSC MAY NOT DISCLOSE MY NAME

24. NARRATIVE (See Instructions on Other Side)

25. REGIONAL OFFICE DIRECTOR REVIEW DATE

Narrative
 Police Reports
 Luther Hospital Reports
 Photographs
 xerox copy of package of a Baby Sitter II bath tub ring

MANUFACTURER NOTIFIED 1/29/95
Carroll
 No Comments made
 Comments attached
 Excisions/Revisions
 Firm has not requested
 further notice

(USE OTHER SIDE AND ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY)

PREACCIDENT

On 15 February 1990 the parents of an infant drowning victim were preparing to leave home to attend an Alzheimer support group meeting at Sacred Heart Hospital, Eau Claire, Wisconsin. A baby sitter arrived about 6:30 PM (18:30) and the parents left about 7:00 PM (19:00) for their meeting.

Immediately prior to this time the victim's family had just completed supper and dessert. The victim, a 10 month old infant, had been sitting in the infant chair/high chair at the kitchen table. The family had finished a Valentines Day cake and the victim had frosting all over herself, the infant's chair, etc. The mother asked the baby sitter to give the girls a bath. The victim was the youngest of four daughters. The parents then left for their meeting.

After finishing dinner the baby sitter placed the victim infant into the bathtub using a yellow baby bathtub ring. Additionally, the oldest sister, who was six years old, was placed into the tub at the same time.

ACCIDENT

After the baby sitter had placed the victim's 6 year old sister into the tub and the victim infant into the yellow bathtub ring, she left the bathroom to check the other two sisters and to watch TV.

The six year old sister got out of the tub and went into the living room to watch TV with the other girls, leaving the victim infant alone in the bathtub.

The second oldest sister, approximately 3-4 years of age went in the bathroom to check the (victim) infant. The infant was reported to be playing in the water.

At the next commercial the baby sitter went into the bathroom to check on the infant and found her laying face down in the water. The infant was completely out of the yellow bathtub ring. The water level reported by the parents was at a depth up near to the drain overflow.

The sitter took the infant victim from the tub into the living room and telephoned 911. CPR directions were given to the baby sitter over the phone. The baby sitter attempted to follow the CPR directions until the rescue people arrived. The rescue crew continued CPR and took the infant victim to Luther Hospital, Eau Claire, Wisconsin. The Eau Claire police also arrived and tended the children in the kitchen while the rescue team worked.

The police contacted the baby sitter's parents who came to the scene of the incident and took her home. The children's grandmother came and took them to her home.

POST ACCIDENT

The victim's (infant) parents were at an Alzheimer support group meeting at Scared Heart Hospital, Eau Claire, Wisconsin, when a city police officer arrived with orders to pick them up. At first the parents thought the officer was there because they erred in registering a used van which they had just bought. The officer responded that something happened to their daughter and he had orders to take them to Luther Hospital, Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

The parents indicated they had administration difficulties because of inadequate insurance at various medical facilities in Eau Claire.

The Eau Claire doctor indicated a need to transport the infant to St. Paul Childrens Hospital and that there was no service volunteered by any Eau Claire Hospital or Ambulance Service. The parents indicated there was a three hour wait for ambulance service from St. Paul, Minnesota to Eau Claire and back to St. Paul. The use of a helicopter was negated because of snow and wind. The victim's mother was allowed to ride in the ambulance and she described the ride as slow because of a safety need to be sure of the roadway.

According to the mother, the St. Paul doctor estimated that the infant victim was without oxygen for approximately 15 minutes.

The Eau Claire City Police returned to the victim's house the following day, February 16, 1990. The police interviewed the victim's sisters. The police drained the tub at the request of the victim's father. A cleaning crew of ladies from the First Presbyterian Church came over latter and cleaned the house including the removal of toys from the tub.

The cleaning crew reported that the bathtub ring was still secure to the bathtub. The removal of the ring was very difficult and took a long time to get the bathtub ring off the bottom of the tub.

Police photographs showed that a suction cup was over a non-skid flower at the bottom of tub. After the victim's parents produced the bathtub ring, this investigator requested to test how secure the ring adhered to the bottom of the tub.

The infant victim's parents grief did not end with the drowning death of their daughter but continued with strangers stopping at their home to gawk. Other people would yell at the mother scolding her for being so irresponsible for trusting her children with a young and inexperienced baby sitter. The victim's family plans to rent a different home.

EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN CITY POLICE

February 15, 1990 - Officer Greg Zeits stated that he responded to a 911 emergency. Officer Zeits arrived at the same time as the fire department rescue unit. Officer Zeits estimated the weight of the infant victim at approximately 20-25 lbs. Medical reports, as suggested by Officer Zeits, may have an accurate weight.

Officer Zeits did not check the bathtub ring to check the suction gripe nor did he check or observe a warning on the bathtub ring. Police photographs show the accident scene "as is" after the drowning incident.

Sgt. Jerome Matysik took photographs of the accident scene "as is" after the drowning incident. Water was measured at the drain to be approximately 10 inches in depth. The bathtub ring suction cups appeared to be securely adhered to the bottom of the tub but Sgt. Matysik did not pull on the ring to make sure.

February 16, 1990 - The following day Detective Al Lowry went to the victim's home to conduct interviews (report attached).

Detective Lowry never saw the child and was not able to estimate the weight of the infant. The detective did say the mother indicated the infant was chubby and had outgrown the bathtub ring and she no longer used the ring herself. The detective did not observe any product warnings. Detective Lowry did not pull on the bathtub ring there/or was not aware of the suction cup gripe. Detective Lowry drained the water but left the toys as he found them.

PRODUCT ON THE MARKET

This investigator scanned the Eau Claire market for current sale of the "Baby Sitter" bathtub ring. None could be found. Nevertheless, a Deluxe Baby Sitter II was found at two retail outlets. This package describes the product as "the Baby Support Ring for Bath Time Safety and Convenience." "Makes Bath Time Safer and Easier." "Supports Baby Security and Comfortably."

On the front panel on the package, a warning is enclosed within an orange stick-on circle the approximate size of a 50 cent coin with black lettering. The warning reads "WARNING - PREVENT DROWNING - DO NOT LEAVE CHILD UNATTENDED."

On the back panel of the package is a statement which reads "ALTHOUGH THE DELUXE BABY SITTER II MAKES BATHING BABY EASIER NEVER LEAVE CHILD UNATTENDED."

Also on the package's back panel is a list of other baby care products. Included is the "original Baby Sitter" - the aid for safe and enjoyable bathing. Ideal for infants 6 months to two years. This product is the same model involved in the infant death. The products are manufactured by:

A-Plus Products, Inc.
P.O. Box 2975
Beverly Hills, CA 90213

NOTE: Victim died at - St. Paul Childrens Hospital
345 North Smith Avenue
St. Paul, MN 55102

Medical records are in the custody of: Doug De Mara
Health Care Providers
100 West Franklin
Minneapolis, MN 55404
Phone: 612-871-9112

Records are 149 pages and \$15 plus 75 cents per page for a total of \$126.75. CPSC instructed this investigator not to get reports but to record where and for what fee they could be obtained later.

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5/4/90

U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF NAME

900305 CCN/1140

Thank you for assisting us in collecting information on a potential product safety problem. The Consumer Product Safety Commission depends on concerned people to share product safety information with us. We maintain a record of this information, and use it to assist us in identifying and resolving product safety problems.

We routinely forward this information to manufacturers and private labelers to inform them of the involvement of their product in an accident situation. We also give the information to others requesting information about specific products. Manufacturers need the individual's name so that they can obtain additional information on the product or accident situation.

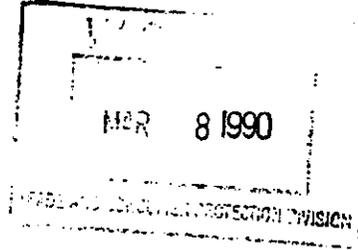
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You are hereby authorized to disclose my name and address with the information collected on this case.

My identity is to remain confidential.

Susan Burtow
Juan A. Burtow
(Signature)

3/27/90
3/27/90
(Date)



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
MEMORANDUM

U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT
SAFETY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20207

TO : Ms. Dinah Kalscheur
Trade & Consumer Protection Division
Wisconsin Department of Agriculture

FROM : *Bob Okarski*
Robert C. Okarski
Project Officer

DATE: March 5, 1990

SUBJECT: IDI's

Please conduct the following IDI, Task Number 900305CCN1140.

This IDI's will be considered part of the FY 1990 Contract.
Please charge this IDI as four (4) RECs.

While investigating this incident, please determine the name of the product and if it contained any safety labeling. If a safety.. label was present, please quote it.

Please attempt to complete these IDI's within 45 days.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 312-353-8260.

Thank you.



State of Wisconsin

Department of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection

Howard C. Richards
Secretary

801 West Badger Road
P.O. Box 8911
Madison, WI 53708

February 28, 1990

Mr. Robert Okarski
Consumer Product Safety Commission
230 S. Dearborn St., Room 2944
Chicago, IL 60604

Dear Mr. Okarski:

Re: Plastic ring with four legs

I am enclosing a copy of a newspaper clipping which might lead to an Indepth Investigation.

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Further details are contained in the attached newspaper clipping. However, our investigator has reported that the infant has since died.

Please let us know if further follow-up is needed.

Sincerely,

Dinah L. Kalscheur

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Program Assistant
TRADE & CONSUMER PROTECTION DIVISION
(608) 267-6851

Enclosure

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City/Region

Lead

MONDAY, February 19, 1990
Leader-Telegram

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In Brief

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In Wisconsin, 15 plays matched five numbers and another 1,277 matched four numbers, said Steve Madsen, spokesman for the Wisconsin Lottery.

The numbers drawn Saturday were 2, 12, 30, 32, 50 and 54.

Vehicles damaged during weekend

Eau Claire police reported vandals damaged several cars in the city sometime Friday night or early Saturday.

Windshield wipers were broken off three vehicles owned by Eau Claire Fabricare, 768 First Ave., which were parked in the company lot.

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INCIDENT REPORT

DEPARTMENT OF POLICE

CITY OF EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN

TYPE OF INCIDENT EMS		OFFICER ASSIGNMENT C. 7014			CASE # 10-4551	
C-COMPLAINANT NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL) Benson April M				REPEATING PERSON V-VICTIM NO		BUS. PHONE 924-1686
CODE CN	NAME/BUSINESS (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL) Benson April M		ADDRESS 515 Long St. E.C.	APT. NO.	CITY STATE	DOB 10-2-76
CODE RP/V	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL)		ADDRESS	APT. NO.	CITY STATE	DOB
LOCATION OF OFFENSE (ADDRESS) 2805 Vine St.				APT. NO.	JUV ADULT NA SS ORD NA () () () () () ()	
DATE & TIME REPORTED	MONTH DAY YEAR 2-15-90	DAY OF WEEK THURS	DATE & TIME OCCURRED	MONTH DAY YEAR 2-15-90	TIME 8:24	DAY OF WEEK THURS

(RECORDS USE)

D. CRIMINAL DAMAGE AMOUNT \$			INSURED BY		
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CODE	NAME (LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL)		ADDRESS		APT. NO.	CITY/STATE	44. PHONE
V	Buetel Sharon J		2805 Vine St E.C.				
AGE	BIRTHDATE	M F WHI. BLK. NAT. ASN. AM.	ETHNIC	HSP. NON. HSP.	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	HAIR EYES AC. CODE
10 mo	4-7-87	() () 1 () 2 () 3 () 4 ()		() ()			
M	Buetel Susan J		2805 Vine St E.C.				
27	12-17-63	() () 1 () 2 () 3 () 4 ()		() ()			
M	Buetel Jason G		2805 Vine St E.C.				
23	3-25-66	() () 1 () 2 () 3 () 4 ()		() ()			

SUMMARY
 Reported to 2805 Vine St. on report of a baby floating face down in a bath tub not breathing. I arrived immediately behind E.C.F.D. The child was given CPR and was transported to Luther Hospital by E.C.F.D. ambulance.

See typed report for details.

USED DISPLAYED	HAND RIFLE SHOT GUN	KNIFE OR CUTTING INST.	STRONG ARM	HANDED () () () () () () () ()	OTH. WEAP.	CAL./GAU.	COLOR BLUE () STEEL ()	CHROME OR OTHER UNK STAINLESS () () ()
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CODE	YEAR	MAKE	VEH. AUTO	CYCLE	TRK/BUS	BICYCLE	SNOWMOBILE	OTH.	BODY 2Dr. 4Dr. Stw. Oth
MODEL	COLOR TOP/BOTTOM	LIC/REG. NO.	YEAR/EXP.	STATE/WHERE REG. (BIKE)			ENTRY CIB () NCIC ()		
REC. VEH. INF.	REC. LOC. STOL. LOC.	REC. OUT. STOL. LOC.	REC. LOC. STOL. OUT.	VIN/ID NO.	BIKE SPEED	WHEEL FRAME	INSURED BY		

OFFICER'S SIGNATURE
 SUPERVISOR'S SIGNATURE
 MONTH **2** - DAY **16** - YEAR **90**

SUPPLEMENT TO INCIDENT REPORT

EAU CLAIRE POLICE DEPARTMENT

OFFICER ASSIGNED G. Zeits	CASE # 90-4556
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This officer was detailed to 2805 Vine Street on report of a baby floating face down in the bathtub, not breathing. This officer arrived on the scene immediately behind the fire engine from station #9. Upon entering the house, this officer observed that fire department personnel were tending to the child.

This officer did speak with the babysitter:

BENSON, APRIL M.
female white, DOB 10/02/76
515 Long Street
Eau Claire, Wisconsin

The child was identified as:

BUETOW, SHARON J.
female white, DOB 04/07/89

Benson advised this officer that Buetow's parents were attending an Alzheimer support group at Sacred Heart Hospital. This information was related to the Communications Center.

Besides Buetow, Sharon, Benson was babysitting for three other children in that household. These children are:

RABLIN, DASIE E.
female white, DOB 04/16/87;

RABLIN, JACQUELINE D.
female white, DOB 08/27/83;

DEIGNAN-RABLIN, Danae K.
female white, DOB 10/12/87

This officer took Benson and the three other children into the kitchen to provide space for the fire department personnel to attend to Buetow, Sharon. In the kitchen, Benson was very upset and distraught. She kept saying, "I killed her, I killed her".

Benson was asked to explain what had happened. She related that she had come to the Buetow residence at approximately 1830 hours to babysit for the children. Benson further stated that approximately 1900 hours, the parents:

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OFFICER'S SIGNATURE G. Zeits	DATE 02/15/90
SUPERVISOR'S SIGNATURE <i>Andy E. Smith</i>	DATE 2-16-90

SUPPLEMENT TO INCIDENT REPORT

EAU CLAIRE POLICE DEPARTMENT

OFFICER ASSIGNED
G. Zeits

CASE # 90-4556

SUSAN E. BUETOW
female white, DOB 12/17/63

JASON G. BUETOW
male white, DOB 03/25/66

left to attend an Alzheimer support group at Sacred Heart Hospital.

Benson related that she was to give the children a bath tonight. She stated that Rablin, Jackie ran water in the bathtub. After the water was run, Benson checked the water for temperature and prepared Buetow, Sharon for the bath. Benson stated that when she put Buetow, Sharon in the tub, she placed her in a yellow plastic ring which has four legs and suction cups on it. Benson stated that she put the child in the ring with one of the child's legs on each side of one of the suction cups. Benson stated that she thought this ring would assist the child in sitting in the tub.

Benson stated that she left the bathroom for a short period of time, possibly from 3-5 minutes. She stated that she went in to the living room to check on the other children. Benson further stated that Rablin, Jackie left the bathroom a few moments after she (Benson) did.

Benson stated that when she returned to the bathroom, the baby was floating face down in the tub. She stated that she removed the baby from the tub and brought her to the living room, then called 911.

Benson stated that she was given instructions over the telephone on how to perform CPR. She stated that the first two or three times that she blew into the baby's mouth, water and fluids came out.

Sergeant Matysik did come to the scene and did photograph the interior of the home and in particular, the bathroom and bathtub. Measurements were taken of the water and the tub. The water was found to be ten inches deep at the drain.

This officer did contact David Benson, the father of April. He was advised that there had been an accident and that he should come to the Buetow residence. Mr. and Mrs. Benson did arrive at the house approximately ten minutes later.

While this officer was interviewing Benson, April; Buetow, Sharon was transported to Luther Hospital by the Eau Claire Fire Department

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OFFICER'S SIGNATURE G. Zeits	DATE 02/15/90
SUPERVISOR'S SIGNATURE <i>Andy E. Zeits</i>	DATE 2-16-90

OFFICER ASSIGNED G. Zeits	CASE # 90-4556
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ambulance.

Sergeant Gordee made contact with the Buetow parents at Sacred Heart Hospital. He transported them to Luther Hospital. Some time later, at their request, the Buetow truck was brought from Sacred Heart Hospital to Luther Hospital.

DEIGNAN, EVELYN M.
female white, DOB 04/04/27
2790 33rd Street
Eau Claire, Wisconsin
px# 834-2897

did come to the Buetow residence. Deignan is a grandparent to the Buetow children. Deignan took the remaining children to her residence.

After clearing the Buetow residence, this officer did go to Luther Hospital. There, it was learned that the Buetow child did have a pulse; however, she was not breathing on her own, nor were her pupils reactive. This officer spoke with Doctor Haigh, the attending physician. He indicated that they were currently trying to arrange for the child to be transported to an infant intensive care unit in the Twin Cities area.

A request was left with the desk of Luther Hospital emergency room to notify the Eau Claire Police Department in the event that Buetow, Sharon should die.

While this officer was talking to Benson, April, she related that she had been babysitting since the summer of 1989. She further related that she had babysat numerous times for the Buetow children. Mr. Benson informed this officer that typically when April babysits for the Buetow children, her sister accompanies her. Mr. Benson indicated that he thought that four children of those ages was a little much for his 13-year old daughter. That is why his other daughter usually accompanied her.

At the hospital, this officer did speak with Buetow, Susan in regard to the yellow ring in the bathtub. Buetow, Susan indicated that the ring is to assist the baby in sitting upright in the bathtub. Buetow, Susan indicated that her child had outgrown that ring. She stated, however, that Benson, April probably was not aware of that.

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OFFICER'S SIGNATURE G. Zeits	DATE 02/15/90
SUPERVISOR'S SIGNATURE <i>[Signature]</i>	DATE 2-16-90

EAU CLAIRE POLICE DEPARTMENT
WRITTEN STATEMENT

I, April Benson, Date 2-16-90 Time 10:45 Case No. 90-4536
ATL Downey, VOLUNTARILY make the following statement to
who has identified himself to me as a police officer

the Eau Claire Police Department. I have been advised that I DO NOT have to make any
statement. If I do make a statement, it can and will be used in a court of law against me.
threats or promises have been made to me to induce me to make this statement. I have been
advised that I can talk to a lawyer or to anyone else before making this statement. I have
also been advised that if I do not have the money to pay for a lawyer, the court or judge may
appoint one for me. I know that I can STOP writing this statement at any time that I want to.

My name is April Benson I was born 10 - 2 - 70
(Mo.) (Date) (Year)

I live at 515 Long St.

DETAILS: They picked me up at 6:30 and left they
left at 7:00. I fed the kids and put Sharon and
Jackie in the tub. I left to check on the other
and Jackie came out about 1 1/2 minutes later. I
had the baby in a yellow ring. I went back
in about 2 or 3 minutes later to check on
her and she was laying on top of the
water. I took Sharon out and layed her face
up on the floor. I called 911. He told me to
put my mouth up to her nose and mouth
and breathed into her about five or six
times. Each time a lot of water came out
of her mouth and nose. Then the firemen
came.

The above-written statement in my own handwriting is the truth as I know it. I have re-read
and initialed all corrections.

Witnessed: Downey Signed April Benson

SUPPLEMENT TO INCIDENT REPORT

EAU CLAIRE POLICE DEPARTMENT

OFFICER ASSIGNED A. Lowty	CASE # 90-4556
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The following case is being classified REDA, REFERRED TO THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY for their review. This is a case involving the drowning of:

SHARON J. BUETOW
DOB 04/07/89

This investigator conducted interviews of the babysitter and two of the older children that were home at the time of the incident. All indications lead this officer to believe that this was an accidental drowning. The child was taken to St. Paul Children's Hospital where life support was discontinued on Wednesday, February 21, 1990. The child shortly thereafter expired.

On 02/15/90 at 1924 hours, emergency services personnel from the police and fire departments were called to 2805 Vine Street on report of an EMS alert call. Upon arrival, they found that a 10-month old baby had apparently been found in the bathtub lying face down and not breathing. Rescue efforts were attempted by the babysitter, April Benson, at the time of the incident and later taken care of by the fire department personnel. At the time of this case, Officer Greg Zeits interviewed April Benson concerning the accidental drowning and his report will be attached.

This investigator on 02/16/90 re-contacted April at her residence at 515 Long Street. I obtained a written statement from April concerning what had happened the evening previous. April informed this investigator that Jackie Rablin, who is age 6, whose DOB is 08/27/83, had apparently been in the bathtub with the baby, Sharon J. Buetow, DOB 04/07/89, for a bath that evening. April indicated that Jackie drew the bath water and that she left the two of them in the bathtub to take a bath. April said that she went into the other room to see what the other kids were doing and within a short period of time, Jackie came out of the bathroom with a towel around her. She indicated that approximately 1 1/2 or 2 minutes later, went in to the bathroom to check on the baby and found her lying face down in the bathtub. April said that she took Sharon out of the water and laid her on the floor and called 911. She talked with someone from the dispatch center who described to her how to give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. April indicated that she attempted to do the mouth-to-mouth and every time she blew into the child's mouth and nose, water did come out of both the mouth and nose area. She said that she did this 5 or 6 times. She said after attempting to revive her, the fire department arrived a short time later.

April told this investigator that she had babysat for the Buetow's on a number of occasions, she thought probably more than a couple dozen different times. She said on

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SUPERVISOR'S SIGNATURE <i>[Signature]</i>	DATE 02 28 90

SUPPLEMENT TO INCIDENT REPORT

EAU CLAIRE POLICE DEPARTMENT

OFFICER ASSIGNED
A. Lowry

CASE #
90-4556

a number of occasions, she had brought her sister to help her out and on a couple of other occasions, would bring other friends to help her babysit. April did say that she has babysat for all the kids by herself on quite a number of occasions. She said that she has bathed and fed the children before and never had any difficulty with that task in the past. This investigator did obtain a written statement from April Benson which will also be attached with this report.

On 02/22/90 at 1250 hours, this investigator contacted the Buetows at their residence. This investigator talked with Jacqueline D. Rablin, DOB 08/27/83, in the living room at her residence with her mother and father present, along with a minister from their church, Reverend Ron Wilson. Jackie told this investigator that she and Sharon did take a bath together that evening. She said that she, Jackie, ran the bath water for the two of them and that they bathed together for awhile. Jackie said that she got out of the bathtub because she wanted to see the TV show, the Cosby show. Jackie said when she left the bathroom, Sharon was still in a little yellow ring that is attached to the bottom of the bathtub by suction cups and was sitting in it and playing fine. Jackie said that a little while later, Dasie went in to check on Sharon and she was fine. She said a little while later, April went in and found Sharon laying face down in the tub. Jackie said that April called 911 and tried to do what she was told over the telephone.

This investigator then talked to Dasie E. Rablin, DOB 04/16/82. Dasie said that Jackie and Sharon were getting ready to take a bath and that April had put Sharon in the little plastic ring in the bathtub. Dasie said that Jackie had run the bath water for that bath and that April had gone into the bathroom and asked Jackie if she could let some of the water out. Dasie said that Jackie did not want her to let any of the water out, so April let them bathe as it was. Dasie indicated that April then came out into the living room and sat and watched TV with the other kids. Dasie said that a while later, Jackie came out with a bath towel wrapped around her to watch TV. Dasie said a short time later, she went in and checked on Sharon and observed that she was fine and playing and having fun. Dasie said she thought it was about three minutes later that April went in and found Sharon in the tub not breathing. This investigator asked Dasie as to what she relayed the three minutes to. She said that they had told each other to keep track of time so they could check on Sharon periodically. Dasie is only 7 years old and the three-minute time frame remains a question in my mind if she would actually know what three minutes time would be or if that was just something that she had thought up or whatever.

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OFFICER'S SIGNATURE A. Lowry	<i>A. Lowry</i>	DATE 02/25/90
SUPERVISOR'S SIGNATURE	<i>M. A. McLaughlin 22</i>	DATE 02 28 90

SUPPLEMENT TO INCIDENT REPORT

EAU CLAIRE POLICE DEPARTMENT

OFFICER ASSIGNED
A. Lowry

CASE #
90-4556

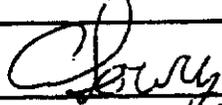
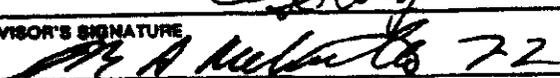
Dasie said at this point after April had found Sharon, she brought her out into the living room area and tried to do what she was told. Dasie said that what April had tried didn't do any good and then a short time later, the ambulance came.

After talking with April, Jackie, and Dasie concerning this incident, it appears as though that Jackie and Sharon were bathing together. There was concern on April's part concerning the depth of the water and when she had asked Jackie to let some of the water out, Jackie did not want to do so. It appears at that point that April then went out into the living room to watch TV and watch the other children and some time thereafter, Jackie had left the bathtub, leaving the baby unattended. According to both Jackie and Dasie, Dasie did go in and check on Sharon one more time prior to April going in and checking on the baby. The time frame between the time Dasie checked on the baby and the time April discovered Sharon in the bathtub could be anywhere from 2-3 minutes; the exact time is unknown. It was during that 2-3 minute time frame that the incident occurred. When this investigator did talk with April Benson, she was very upset, shook up, and arrangements had already been started to get in to some family counseling for her and her parents. Both Sharon's parents were concerned about April Benson's family and the strain that this would put on them. It appears at this time that the Bensons are going through family counseling, for I did see them on Monday, February 19, 1990, and April's parents did indicate that they had just come from a counseling session.

As indicated in the initial report by Officer Zeits, the water was measured at the drain by Sergeant John ^{Matysik} ~~Treynor~~, and the water was found to be 12 inches deep. When this investigator made contact at the Buetow residence the day after the drowning, I found the water had still been left in the bathtub. There was a little yellow ring with four suction cups on it still attached to the bottom of the bathtub. The ring appears to be about 12 inches in diameter with white suction cups. The ring appears to be a plastic material and used to support the child when bathing.

On February 15, 1990, from the time Jackie Rablin had left the bathtub until some time after April Benson checked the bath with Sharon, Sharon apparently fell into the water and drowned as a result of that fall out of the plastic ring that she had been sitting in.

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OFFICER'S SIGNATURE A. Lowry 	DATE 02/25/90
SUPERVISOR'S SIGNATURE  72	DATE 02 28 90

1221 Whipple Street
Call Box 5
Eau Claire, WI
54702-4105

Med Rec. #

AUTHORIZATION FOR RELEASE OF INFORMATION

PATIENT NAME Sharon Burtow BIRTHDATE 4/7/89

MAIDEN/PREVIOUS NAMES _____ ADM/ER DATES _____

I hereby consent to and authorize information regarding the above identified person to be released:

FROM: Luther Hospital

AND SENT TO: WI Dept. U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission
Physician/institution/person requesting data

927 Loring Ave Attn: Thomas Brennan
Street Address

Altona WI 54720
City State Zip Code

PURPOSE FOR DISCLOSURE: investigation

SPECIFIC TYPE OF INFORMATION: any and all medical record information

I hereby consent to the release of the above information, including any alcohol, drug abuse, and/or mental health records obtained in the course of my diagnosis and treatment.

I hereby release Luther Hospital and you personally from all legal responsibility or liability that may arise from the act I have authorized above. I understand that I have a right to inspect and receive a copy of the material to be disclosed upon reasonable notice and payment of costs.

I understand that this consent is valid for six months, or can be revocable at any time prior to this time period in writing.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____
Patient or legal representative

SIGNATURE: X Susan Burtow DATE: X 3-30-90
Parent/legal guardian/witness

This information has been disclosed to you from records whose confidentiality is protected by Federal Law. Federal Regulations prohibit you from making any further disclosure of it without the specific written consent of the person to whom it pertains, or as otherwise permitted by such regulations. A general authorization for the release of medical or other information is NOT sufficient for this purpose.

U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

AUTHORIZATION FOR MEDICAL RECORDS DISCLOSURE

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

*Luther Hospital
Fan Claire*

You are hereby authorized to furnish the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission

all information and copies of any and all records you may have pertaining to (my case)

(the case of Sharon Buetow of Fan Claire WI
Name

daughter
Relationship to you

including, but not limited to, medical history, physical reports, laboratory reports and

pathological slides, and X-ray reports and films.

3/27/90
(Date)

Susan Buetow
Sharon H. Buetow
(Signature)

Thomas J Brennan
(Witness)

AUTHORIZATION FOR MEDICAL RECORDS DISCLOSURE

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Luther Hospital Eau Claire WI
Dr. Tomasi

You are hereby authorized to furnish the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission and the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection all information and copies of any and all records you may have pertaining to (my case)

(the case of) Sharon Burtow of Eau Claire Wisconsin
Name

daughter

Relationship to you

including, but not limited to, medical history, physical reports, laboratory reports and pathological slides, and X-ray reports and films.

3/27/90

(Date)

Susan Burtow

Susan Burtow
(Signature)

Thomas J Brennan

(Witness)

Luther Hospital
Eau Claire WI approx 15 Feb 90

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U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION.

AUTHORIZATION FOR MEDICAL RECORDS DISCLOSURE

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: *Luther Hospital Eau Claire WI*
Dr. Haigh

You are hereby authorized to furnish the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission
all information and copies of any and all records you may have pertaining to (my case)

(the case of *Sharon Burtow of Eau Claire WI*
daughter)
Name
Relationship to you

including, but not limited to, medical history, physical reports, laboratory reports and
pathological slides, and X-ray reports and films.

3/27/90
(Date)

Jessie D. Burtow
Susan Burtow
(Signature)

Thomas J Brennan
(Witness)

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

LutherHospital

QUALITY AND RECORD SERVICES
1221 WHIPPLE STREET
CALL BOX 8
EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN
84702-4108

Date March 30, 19 90

WI Dept. of U.S. Consumer Produce Safety Commission
927 Loring Ave.
Altoona, WI 54720

Balance Account Rendered

Medical record information requested . . . \$15.00

RE: Sharon Buetow

Please direct payment to
MEDICAL RECORDS DEPARTMENT
Thank you.

80-0015

Luther Hospital

San Diego, Wisconsin

FINAL DIAGNOSIS:

Fresh water drowning with a successful resuscitation.

(RB) 994.1

COMPLICATIONS:

OPERATION:

TREATMENT AND DISCHARGE NOTE:

This is a 10 month old female who was in good health with the exception of a slight upper respiratory infection this evening when she was left alone in the bath tub by the baby-sitter. Reports vary as to the time that she was alone in the bathroom, but the reports range from 3 to 10 minutes. She apparently was found face down in the water by the sitter who called the ambulance. She was brought to the Emergency Room pulseless and nonbreathing where 3 doses of adrenalin and 2 doses of Atropine restored good sinus rhythm with a rate of 140 to 150 but no spontaneous respirations initially. Initial blood gases which were done with an endotracheal tube in the right mainstem bronchus and with 100% oxygen revealed a pH of 6.5, PCO₂ of 121, PO₂ of 91, with an HCL of 10. Cases were repeated after 10 mEq of sodium bicarbonate were given. The endotracheal tube was repositioned. The pH had risen to 7.09, PCO₂ 14, PO₂ 406 and the HCL was 4. Subsequently another dose of Sodium Bicarbonate was given and then a third dose of Sodium Bicarbonate was given and the pH had come up to 7.34, PCO₂ was 23, PO₂ 418 and HCL was 12. At this time, the child had established spontaneous respirations at a rate of approximately 30/minute on her own. Throughout the entire time, pupils were about 3/4 dilated and fixed. The remainder of the physical examination revealed that her tympanic membranes were normal. Throat was not examined because of the endotracheal tube. Neck was supple. Chest was clear. Heart had a regular rate and rhythm, no murmur. Abdomen was soft. The liver edge was palpable. Skin appears clear. Pulses are normal. Her vital signs have been stable. The blood pressure initially rose to the 180/110 range, however, it has subsequently come down to the 120/80 range. Fluids have been restricted to approximately 60% of maintenance. Pupils are now reacting slightly to light and are about mid point. Electrolytes done in the Emergency Room revealed a sodium of 134, potassium 5.3, chloride 98. Blood sugar initially was 404, BUN 11, creatinine 0.8. Repeat values of the electrolytes, glucose and blood gases are pending at this time.

Plan: The child is being transferred to the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit at St. Paul Children's Hospital and the transport team is en route at the present time.

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dd: 2/15/90
dt: 2/16/90


J. D. Haigh M.D.

NAME	AGE	DATE OF ADMISSION	ATTENDING PHYSICIAN	ROOM NO.	HOSPITAL NO.
BUETOW, SHARON	10 MO	2/15/90	HAIGH	4368	378408

Service: Eau Claire Fire Department Incid # 60-01106 Date: 2/1/90
 Station # _____ Ambulance # _____ Attendants: J. KRICKSON, L. KORNBER
 Location of Pickup: 2805 VINE ST
 Eau Claire Eau Claire
 (City) (County)
 Call Requested By: 911 Other Units: Fire E9 P.D. Other

Patient's Name: SHARON BUELOW
 Street Address: 2905 VINE ST
 City/State/Zip: EAU CLAIRE WI 54703
 Telephone Number: _____
 Responsible Party: JASON BUELOW
 Street/City/Zip: 2905 VINE ST
 Patient's Employer: FATHER
 Physician: _____
 Meds w/Pt: _____
 Medicare #: _____
 M.A. #: _____
 H.P.P. #: _____
 Other #: _____

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CAUSE OF INJURY: _____

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MEDICAL HISTORY: <input type="checkbox"/> Epilepsy <input type="checkbox"/> Med. ID <input type="checkbox"/> Heart Disease <input type="checkbox"/> Psychiatric <input type="checkbox"/> Allergy <input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes <input type="checkbox"/> Other			

IF JOINT INJURY CIRCLE INJURED AREA ON FIGURE.

TIME	S/P	Pulse		Resp.		EKG	Medication			Consciousness			Pupils		Gen. Cond./ Treatment
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COMMENTS/OTHER TREATMENT: ON PATIENT WAS FOUND UNDER WATER IN BATH TUB BY BABY SITTER - EN ROUT TO SCENE COMM. CENTER REPORTED ABC. ON ARRIVAL R2 FOUND E9'S CREW PERFORMING CPR ON LIVING ROOM FLOOR. R2 INSERTED AIRWAY SUCTIONED, CONTINUED CPR WITH BAG MASK & FULL O2. TRANSPORTED TO LUTHER. PATIENT'S COLOR SEEMED TO IMPROVE - PATIENT REMAINED PULSELESS - NON BREATHING

URGENCY: Life Threatening Acute, Non-Life Threatening Non-Emergency Run Cancelled (Why) _____
 ACTION: Transport and Care At Scene Care Only Exam Only Patient Refused Exam
 NO TRANSPORT: No Patient No Need Patient Refused Went By Other Means Release Signed
 TRANSPORTED ON: Back Side Stomach Sitting Other Head Elevated Feet Elevated Restrained
 DESTINATION: Hospital Nursing Home Other REASON: Patient Relative Physician Closest EMT Choice
 WHERE: LUTHER # I.V. Attempts: _____ Successful? Y ___ N ___
 ARRIVAL STATUS: Unchanged Better Worse D.O.A. Where? _____
 PT. ADMITTED: E.D. CCU ICU Other E.D. # 6 E.O. Physician: JAMES
 CONTACT WITH HOSPITAL: Radio Phone Direct EKG Telemetry Time Report Received: _____ By: _____

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Luther Hospital

Eau Claire, Wisconsin

CC: ABC

HX: This patient apparently had been left in the care of a babysitter. Apparently, she had been in a sling type of an apparatus while taking a bath. The babysitter left the child to check on the other children and returned anywhere from 3 to 10 minutes later. She found the infant face down in the water. The infant was not breathing. The babysitter then began trying to perform mouth-to-mouth resuscitation and closed chest cardiac compressions. She summoned an ambulance. Upon arrival of the ambulance, they found the patient apneic and pulseless. They continued CPR and transported the patient here.

Upon arrival, the patient was still pulseless and apneic. Initial cardiac rhythm was a systole. The patient was rapidly intubated by Dr. Cochrane, and 0.15 mg Epinephrine was instilled down the endotracheal tube. The skin overlying the right tibia was prepped with Betadine and a bone marrow needle was introduced utilizing a septic technique into the marrow cavity. D5W was then run through this, roughly 50 cc per hour. She was given a subsequent injection of 0.15 mg of Epinephrine and 0.6 mg of Atropine. A peripheral vein was then found on the left hand. The other dose of Epinephrine and Atropine were repeated intravenously. Roughly 10 minutes into the resuscitation, the patient began to demonstrate some complexes, these were not perfused. A few minutes later, the patient began to have a perfusing rhythm which was interpreted as sinus tachycardia. Her pupils remained fixed and dilated, though they did gradually become smaller and smaller during her stay in the Emergency Room. Initial blood gases demonstrated a pH of 6.5, PCO2 121, and PO2 of 91. Sodium 134, potassium 5.3, chloride 98 and CO2 14. White blood cell count was 14.8, hemoglobin 10.6, hematocrit 34. Differential demonstrated 97 percent lymphs, and 3 percent monos. The patient was given 10 mEq of Sodium Bicarbonate and hyperventilation was continued. Repeat blood gases demonstrated a pH of 7.09, PCO2 14, PO2 406. Blood sugar was 404, BUN 11, creatinine 0.8. The patient was given initial two more dosages of 10 mEq of Sodium Bicarbonate. A pH of 7.34, PCO2 at 23, and PO2 in excess of 300 was finally obtained. Dr. Haigh had been consulted earlier in the resuscitation, and came to evaluate the patient. The remainder of his findings can be found contained in his notes. The patient was transferred to the Intensive Care Unit in critical though improved condition.

A chest x-ray initially demonstrated that the endotracheal tube was in the right mainstem bronchus, there was some collapse of the left lung. This was pulled back roughly 1 1/2 cm. A repeat chest x-ray demonstrated good re-expansion on the left and no obvious infiltrates.

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dt: 2/19/90

M. R. Tomasi, M.D.

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NAME	AGE	DATE OF ADMISSION	ATTENDING PHYSICIAN	ROOM NO.	HOSPITAL NO.
BUETOW, SHARON	10 mo.	2/15/90	HAIGH	ER/ADMIT	378498

Luther Hospital

St. Louis, Missouri

SHORT STAY NOTE:

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PHYSICAL EXAMINATION:

At this time, the child had established spontaneous respirations at a rate of approximately 30/minute on her own.

HEENT: Throughout the entire time, pupils were about 3/4 dilated and fixed. The remainder of the physical examination revealed that her tympanic membranes were normal. Throat was not examined because of the endotracheal tube.

NECK: Neck was supple.

CHEST: Clear.

HEART: Had a regular rate and rhythm, no murmur.

ABDOMEN: Soft. The liver edge was palpable.

SKIN: Appears clear.

VITAL SIGNS: Pulses are normal. Her vital signs have been stable. The blood pressure initially rose to the 180/110 range, however, it has subsequently come down to the 120/100 range.

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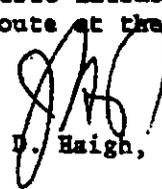
DIAGNOSIS: Fresh water drowning with successful resuscitation.

PLAN: The child is being transferred to the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit at St. Paul Children's Hospital and the transport team is en route at the present time.

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dd: 2/15/90

dt: 2/16/90


J. D. Haigh, M.D.

NAME	AGE	DATE OF ADMISSION	ATTENDING PHYSICIAN	ROOM NO.	HOSPITAL NO.
BUELOW, SHARON	10 MO.	2/15/90	HAIGH	4268	278498

ts & Time

Notes

Arrest Note

2036 called to ER to help in resuscitation of this 10x10 ♀
 in drowning. upon arrival initially p resuscitated a m. (D)
 #4.5 ETT in held BS + little or no leak. #22 gauge
 airway cath was then inserted in the (C) hangl; ABG then
 obtained from the (C) groins. P&R obtained and B&C checked
 for ETT placement.

Holin

Peds (resuscitation)

20 This P is a 10 month old female infant victim of a cardiac arrest
 between drowning. The event. P was found face down in a tub
 of water by parents. Total estimated time of submersion
 approximately from 3-10 minutes. Resuscitation began 911 and initiated
 CPR. Best achieved via ambulance in ER @ 1937. Initial
 manual JVP. Slightly elevated. 15mg epinephrine was given
 for ETT and intubations. Low success. Airway 16mg. No
 intubation at 1940. Admin a total of 3 doses of ep (15mg)
 and 2 doses of atropine (1mg), Best established. Spine Triage rate 160.
 Total time brain arrest and resuscitation - 10 minutes.
 Total time brain arrest; Spine ~ 15 minutes. Infant immediately
 pronounced. Significant respiratory effort ultimately achieved after
 at ~ 20. And the patient on T-tube which she remains on.
 Initial lab: Slightly pH 6.50 pCO₂ 120 pO₂ 91 HCO₃-10

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 RFF-TOMASI MD. MARK R

Date & Time	Notes
2/15/90 2245	<p>10 mo ♀ found face down in tub this evening. Brought to ER pulseless & non-breathing - Successfully resuscitated - Epi X3 + atropine X2 Had severe acidosis initially - pH of 6.5 - HCO₃ 4 Has had 3 doses of NaHCO₃ - now pH up to 7.34 - pCO₂ 23 PO₂ 418 HCO₃ 12 on 100% O₂ & breathing spontaneously! Pupils were 3/4 dilated & fixed - now mid-point & minimally reactive - unresponsive to pain - Vitals have been stable - BP 120/85-90 P-160-170 R44 Neck supple; Pupils as above; fundi difficult to focus on - Right disc appears sharp however - TMs clear. Heart - RSP 3 @ Chest - clear Abdom - soft - liver edge palpable - Hx initially 134 K + Cl OK He hyper, anxious & repeat gases pending - CXR mild - LU infiltrate - (ET tube initially in Right main stem bronchus). AS: Fresh water drowning - resuscitated Plan: monitor carefully in ICU while awaiting transport team from St. Paul Children's Hospital -</p> <p style="text-align: center;">JH</p>

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Date: 2/15/90 Time Arrest Called: 1937 Location: Per Gold

TIME CPR STARTED
1937

TYPE OF ARREST: (all that apply)
 respiratory cardiac
 witnessed unwitnessed

Cross Ambulance

RESPIRATORY MANAGEMENT:		
Method	Time	By
Mouth to Mouth		
Ambu via Mask	1937	
ET intubation size tube () placement checked:	1938	Dr Cochran
Ambu via ET tube	1938	RT
Oxygen via	100%	

Key Drug Dosages: (Adult)

Atropine: 0.5 - 1.0 mg.
 Bretylium: 5 mg/kg. bolus
 CaChloride: 5-10cc of 10% solution
 Dopamine: 400mg/250cc drip titrate to increase BP
 Epinephrine: 5-10cc/1:10,000 sol'n
 Isuprel: 1mg./250cc. drip at 2-10 mcg/min
 Lidocaine: 1 mg/kg bolus
 Bicarb: 1 meq./kg

SKy

TIME	DRUG/DOSE/ROUTE PROCEDURES DONE (Meds, Defib, Pacer, IV, Labs)	DRUG GIVEN BY	EKG RHYTHM/PATTERN	VITAL SIGNS			OBSERVATIONS (LOC, Lab result)
				Pulse	BP	Resp	
1937	Arrived - CPR continued - Monitor shows escape vent beats. Color Lt pink						
	ASST + reintubated per Anesthesia - tube placement led						Engaged per PA
1939	Epinephrine .15mg per ET						
	introduced needle inserted per Dr Tomasi into Rt tibia.						
1940	Atropine 0.6mg IV per pharmacist		Asymal rhythm				O ₂ sat 74%
1942	Epi .15mg per IV per phar. Peripheral IV inserted						per anesthesia.
1945	Atropine .6mg IV per phar -						vent. escape beat - slighter faster ~20-30/min
1945	NG inserted orally per anesthesia -						O ₂ sat 51%
1948	Epi .15mg IV						30 HB, Vent rate 35
1950	① Removal A&B and blood drawn per anesth.		SR 80's-100				784, palpated 9
1954	Arrival: CPR: arms: Pink			140 ST		90 ST	

2003 Na Bicarb 10mg IV

cont on reverse

Dr. Cochran Anesthesia MEMBERS/TITLES				OUTCOME:
Jeff Henry RPh	D. Pederson RN	Dr M Tomasi		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Revived Transferred to: <u>ICU</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Expired Time of death: _____
Jim Parnissen CRT	Maureen Preeley RN	A. St Antoine RRT		
Chad SMT	J. Ringland	N. Riddle RN		
MD/RN Running Code:	Signature/Title of Recorder:	Total Time of Resuscitation:		
Dr M. Tomasi	Jack Ringland, RN	13 minutes		
Orders for this patient during CPR are verbal order of Dr. Tomasi, Dr. H. Zigh				

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 CPR Record

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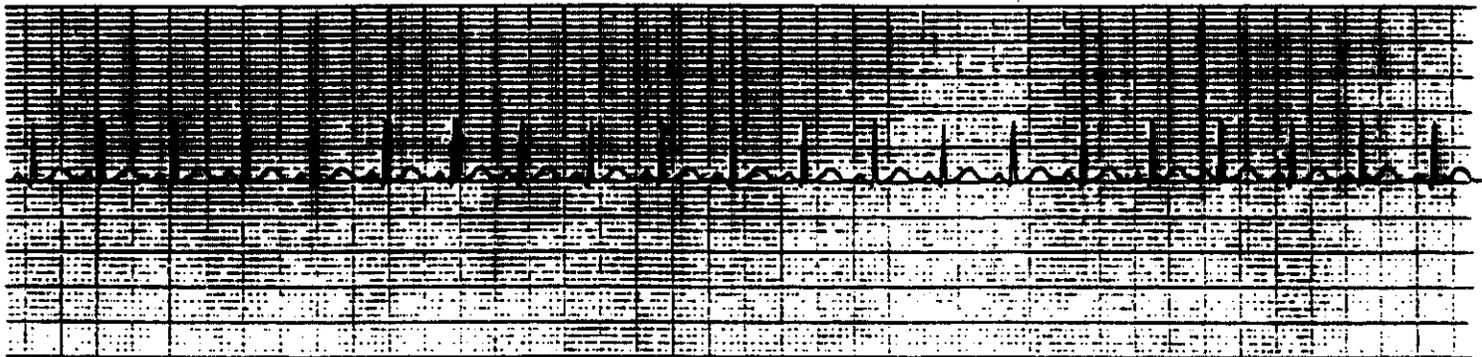
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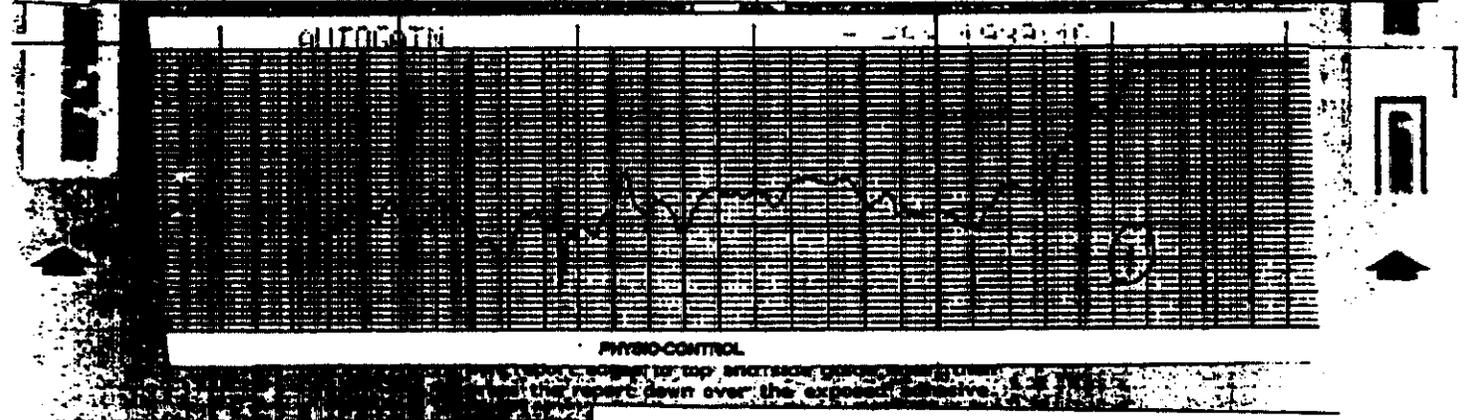
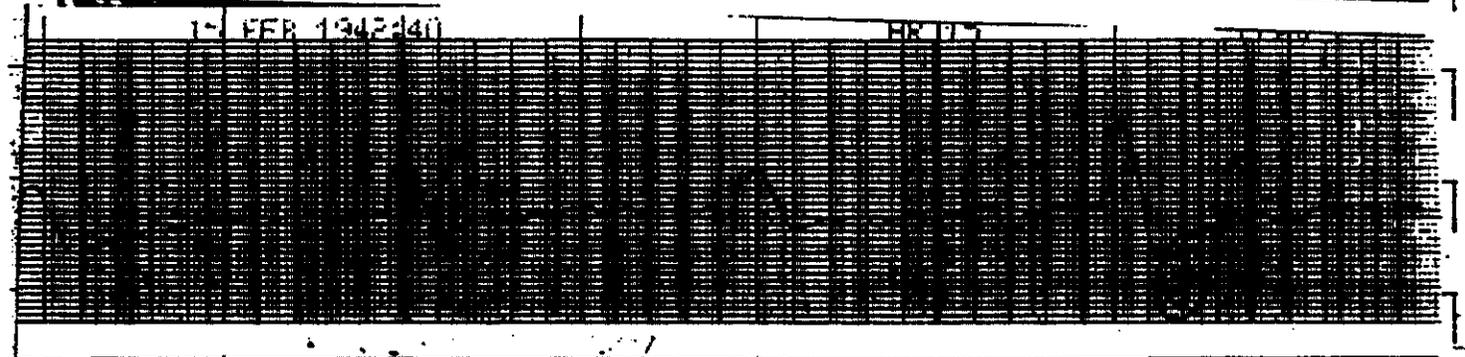
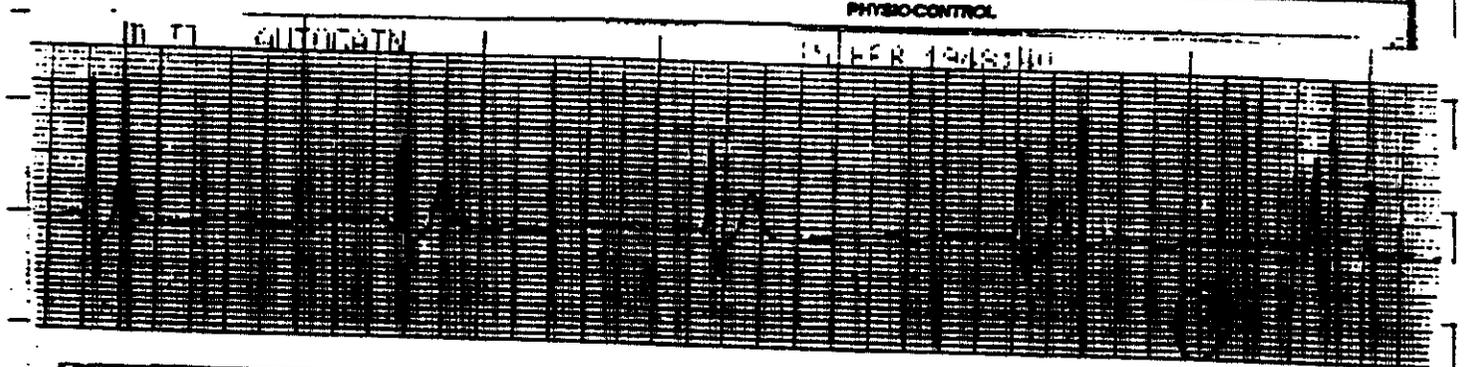
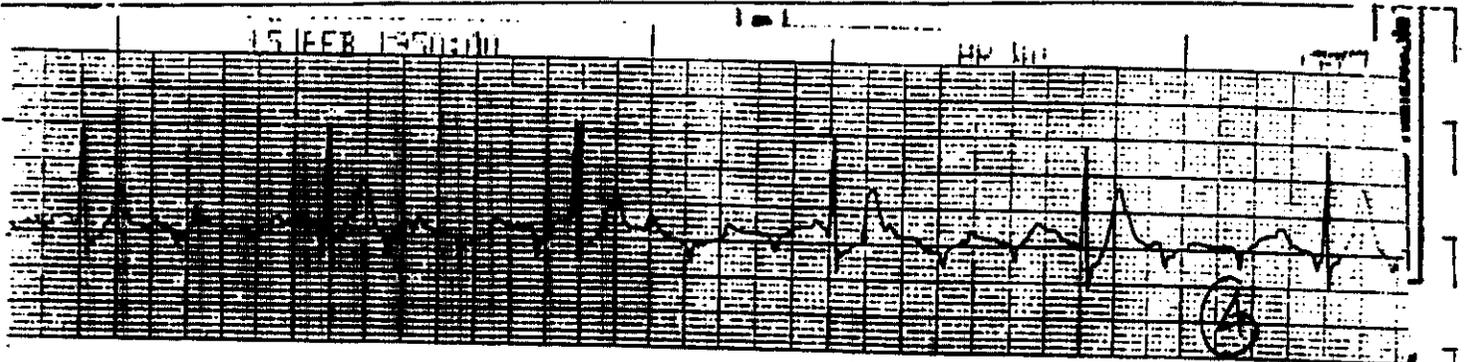
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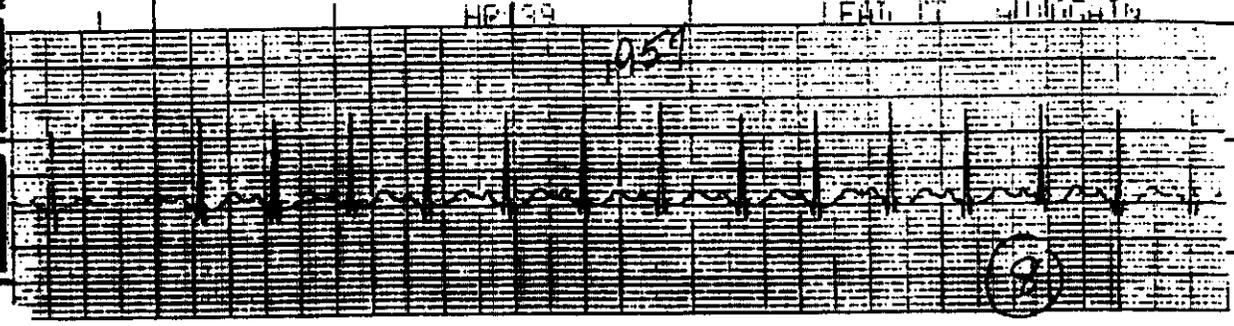
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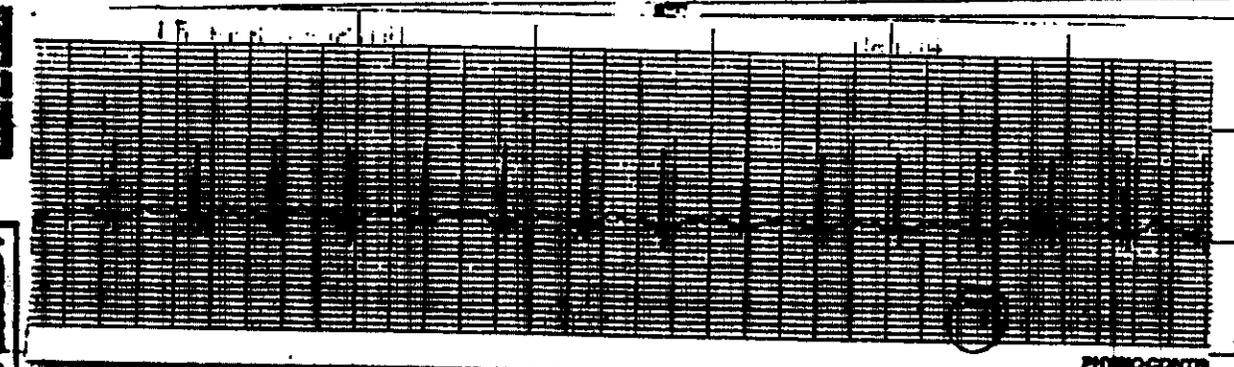
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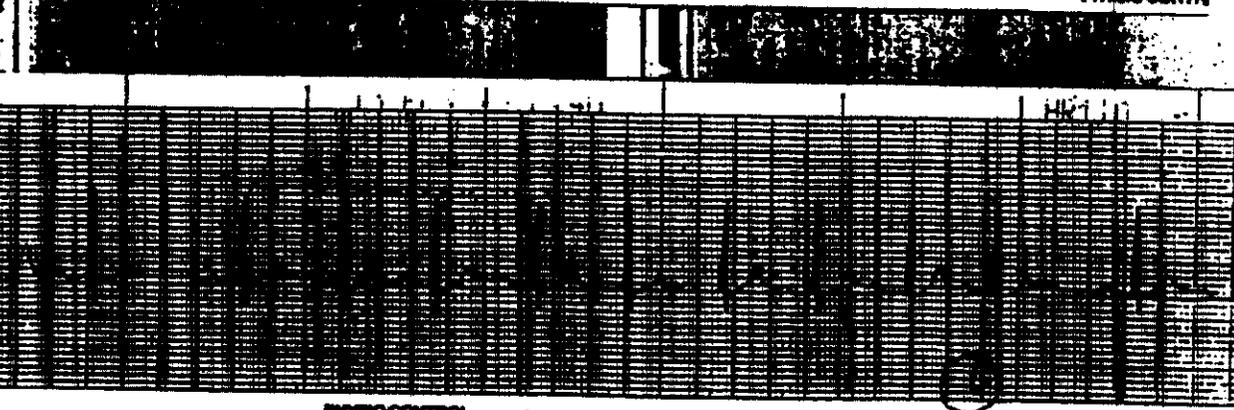
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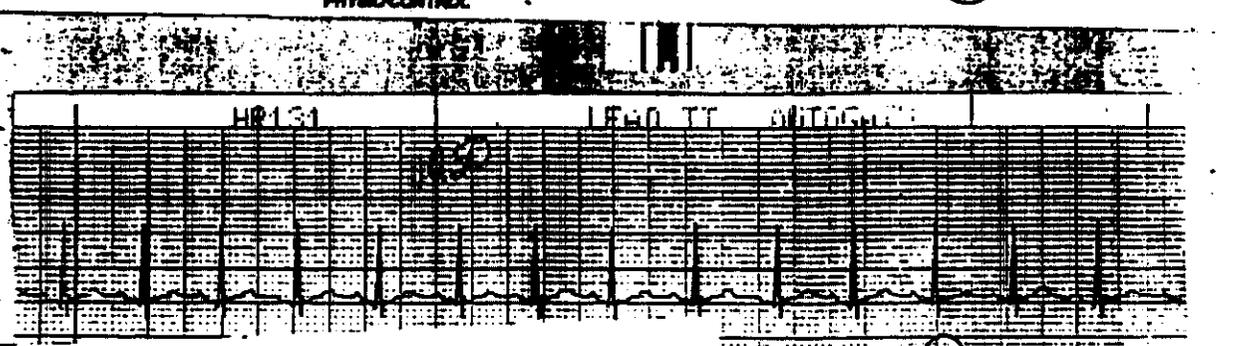
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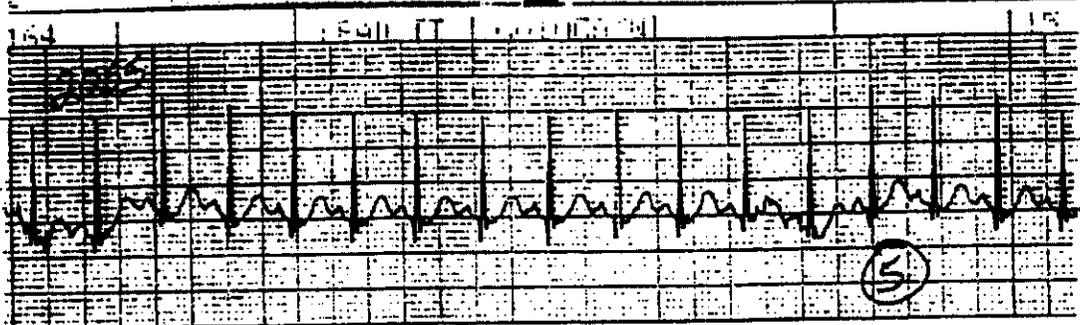
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PG 1 HEMATOLOGY

MED. REC. NO: 378498 ROOM NO: CC

SPECIMEN	DATE	TIME	HGB	HCT	MCV	WBC	SEG	BND	LYM	MORPHOLOGY
	2-15-90	20:00	10.6	34	84	14.8				97 1+MICRO

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NORMAL VALUES:

HGB	HEMOGLOBIN	12-18	GM/DL	TGN	TOXIC GRANUL
HCT	HEMATOCRIT	36-54	%	FR RBC	FRAGMENT RBC
MCV	MEAN CELL VOL	85-96	M13	NRBC	NUCLEATED RBC
WBC CT	WBC COUNT	4.5-11	K/MM3	B STP	BASO STIPLING
SEG	SEG NEUTROS			HJB	HOWELL JOLLY
BND	BANDS			DB	DOHLE BODIES
LYM	LYMPHOCTYES				1+=FEW/SLIGHT
POLY	POLYCHROMASIA				2+=MODERATE
SPHERO	SPHEROCYTES				3+=MANY/MARK

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MED. REC. NO: 378498 ROOM NO: CC 436

SPECIMEN		NA	K	CL	CO2	BUN	CREAT	GLUC	CA	MG	PHOS	OSM	TRN	TR
DATE	TIME													
2-15-90	20:00	134	5.3	98	14	11	0.8	404						
2-15-90	23:30	128	3.3	92	22			355						

NORMAL VALUES:

NA	SODIUM	137-150	MMOL/L	CA	CALCIUM	8.5-10.5
K	POTASSIUM	3.5-5.3	MMOL/L	MG	MAGNESIUM	1.8-2.3
CL	CHLORIDE	99-111	MMOL/L	PHOS	PHOSPHORUS	2.5-4.5
CO2	CARBON DIOXID	25-35	MMOL/L	OSM	OSMOLALITY	275-295
BUN	BLD, UREA, NITR	10-20	MG/DL	TRN	TRANSFERRIN	155-355
CREAT	CREATININE	0.8-1.5	MG/DL	TRIG	TRIGLYCERIDES	47-155
GLUC	GLUCOSE	70-105	MG/DL			

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PG 3 BLOOD GASES

MED. REC. NO: 378498 ROOM NO: CC

SPECIMEN		PH	PCO2	PO2	HCO3	O2SAT	SPEC	O2FLOW
DATE	TIME							
2-15-90	20:00	6.50	121	91	10	13	ART	BAGGED
2-15-90	20:15	7.09	14	406	4	99+	ART	BAGGED
2-15-90	21:20	7.34	23	418	12	100	ART	
2-15-90	23:30	7.45	28	398	20	100	ART	

NORMAL VALUES:

PH	7.35-7.45	UNITS	HCO3	22-26
PCO2	35-45	MMHG	O2SAT	96-98
PO2	80-100	MMHG		

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PG 7 COAG/MISC TEST

MED. REC. NO: 378498 ROOM NO: CC

SPECIMEN	DATE	TIME	PTSEC	P/C	APTT	PLATE	SED	RETIC	OCCBL	STL
	2-15-90	20:00								

274

NORMAL VALUES:

PTSEC	PROTH-PAT	SEC	10.5-13	SEC	SED	SED RATE	0-30
P/C	P/C RATIO				RETIC	RETICULOCYTES	0.5-1.
APTT			20-30	SEC	OCCBL	OCC BLOOD-STL	
PLATE	PLATELET CNT		140-440	K/MM3			

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DOCTOR: HAIGH MD, JAMES D.	ROOM: 368	1
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EPT: 400-HEMATOLOGY

400-3301 CBC (COMPLETE BLOOD COUNT)

962312 RES: 2-15-90 20:25 LBTJ

ORD: 2-15-90 20:04 ERLC

SPECIMEN: 2-15-90 20:00 36

HEMOGLOBIN (12 - 18) GM/DL 10.6

HEMATOCRIT (36 - 54) % 34

M.C.V. (85 - 96) MIB 84

PLATELETS (140 - 440) K/MM3 274

W.B.C. (4.5 - 11) K/MM3 14.8

%SEGS: BANDS: LYMPHS: 97

%MONO: 3 EOS : BASO :

I+MICRO

MORPHOLOGY KEY

HJB=HOWELL JOLLY BODIES FRAG RBC=FRAGMENTED RBCS

1+=FEW OR SLIGHT

TGN=TOXIC GRANULATION OF NEUTS DB=DOHLE BODIES

2+=MODERATE

POLY=POLYCHROMASIA SPHERO=SPHEROCYTES NRBC=NUCLEATED RBCS

3+=MANY OR MARKED

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DEPT: 402-CHEMISTRY

402-2119 ELECTROLYTES *****
962311 RES: 2-15-90 20:14 LBMK ORD: 2-15-90 20:04 ERLC
SPECIMEN: 2-15-90 20:00 36
SODIUM (137 - 150) MMOL/L 134
POTASSIUM (3.5 - 5.3) MMOL/L 5.3
CHLORIDE (99 - 111) MMOL/L 98
CO2 (25 - 35) MMOL/L 14

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962396 RES: 2-16-90 4:12 LBJF ORD: 2-15-90 22:52 TSSG
SPECIMEN: 2-15-90 23:30 54
SODIUM (137 - 150) MMOL/L 128
POTASSIUM (3.5 - 5.3) MMOL/L 3.3
CHLORIDE (99 - 111) MMOL/L 92
CO2 (25 - 35) MMOL/L 22

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402-2157 BLOOD SUGAR (GLUCOSE) *****
962395 RES: 2-16-90 4:12 LBJF ORD: 2-15-90 22:52 TSSG
SPECIMEN: 2-15-90 23:30 54
BLOOD SUGAR (FBS 70-105) MG/DL 355

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402-2178 BLOOD GASES *****
962310 RES: 2-15-90 20:13 LBMK ORD: 2-15-90 20:04 ERLC
SPECIMEN: 2-15-90 20:00 36
ARTERIAL
REF. RANGES
PH (7.35-7.45) UNITS 6.50
P CO2 (35-45) MMHG 121
P O2 (80-100) MMHG 91
HCO3- (22-26) MM/L 10
O2 SATURATION (96-99) % 13
SAMPLE TYPE ART
% O2 FLOW BAGGED

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EPT: 402-CHEMISTRY

402-2411 BLOOD SUGAR, BUN, CREAT.

962309 RES: 2-15-90 20:20 LBNH

ORD: 2-15-90 20:04 ERLC

SPECIMEN: 2-15-90 20:00 36

BLOOD SUGAR (FBS 70-105) MG/DL 404

BUN (10-20) MG/DL 11

CREATININE/S (0.8-1.5) MG/DL 0.8

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EPT: 404-MICROSCOPY

404-4329 URINALYSIS

962388 RES: 2-15-90 23:07 LBPZ
SPECIMEN: 2-15-90 22:30 SG

ORD: 2-15-90 22:20 TSSG

COLOR PALE STRAW
CHARACTER CLEAR
SP. GRAVITY (1.005-1.030) 1.020

MICROSCOPIC/HPF
WBC 15-20
RBC 5-10
BACTERIA
EP CELLS FEW SQUAMOUS

GLU (NEG) 2+ PH 5.5
BIL (NEG) 0 BLD (NEG) 2+
KET (NEG) 0 NIT (NEG) 0
PRO (NEG) 2+ EXT 2+ LEU (NEG) 0

CRYSTALS
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URINE SCREEN: (NEG) POS
IF URINE SCREEN IS NEGATIVE, MICRO NOT PERFORMED.

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MOD AMORPH SEDIMENT

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Date	Time	Orders	✓
2/15/90		(1) Admit ICU (2) No. drawing (3) U.S. Q 15 min (4) IV - total Natif D ₅ W at 25 cc/hr (5) Foley cath (6) O ₂ 30% (7) Repeat electrolytes + glucose + ABG's - done (8) UA - done (9) Transfer to St Paul Children's Hospital - ICU (10) dopamine 60mg in 100cc D ₅ W at bedside	
<p><i>J. Mendel</i></p> <p><i>[Signature]</i></p>			
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D: data
A: action
R: response

Date	Time	Problem/Need	Remarks and Signature
2-15-90	2150	Admit.	D: 10 month old unresponsive female rec'd from ER post ABC P (near drowning episode). ET tube, NG in place orally. O ₂ at 50% per + piece IV's of D5W infusing @ 15cc/hr per peripheral IV and 10cc/hr intraosseus IV. O ₂ sat 100%. See flow sheet for vital signs. Pupils fixed & dilated. Lunges clear. S, S ₂ . Colds pink. Skin w/d. A: Monitor on: sinus tach 160's #8 Fr Foley in c clear yellow return. UA sent to lab. Family in. Pastoral care here. Arrangements being made to transfer pt. to St. Paul Children's Hosp. R: Vitals stable @ present. Cont. to monitor pending transfer. <i>J. Hendrickx R</i>
	2230		<i>J. Hendrickx R</i>
	2330		Pupils reactive R 3, L 4. <i>J. Hendrickx R</i>
			ABG's, Gluc, Lytes drawn. Vitals remain RR 160's PR 44-48. Temp R 95 Ax. Warming blankets on. O ₂ at 30% per + piece. NG draining yellowish/tan. <i>J. Hendrickx R</i>
			(transported per ambulance) to St. Paul's Children's Hospital <i>J. Hendrickx R</i>
7/6	0140	Status/Discharge	(D) VSS remain stable. O ₂ sat 100% on 30% O ₂ c R 40's TBT scant yellow secretions (ol. Hx c TBT noted briefly) @ 120's/10-15 Art - Venous lines inserted @ fem. Site per St. Paul physician + whom consented. Inoc per ambulance to St Paul children's accmg. by lifeline attendants, er physician's mother @ Otto. <i>J. Hendrickx R</i>
			DO: [unclear] CONFIDENTIAL COPY

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Howard C. Richards
Secretary

Consumer Protection Regional Office
927 Loring Street
Altoona, WI 54720

April 4, 1990

St. Paul Childrens' Hospital
345 N. Smith Avenue
St. Paul, MN 55102

Attn. Custodian of Records

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection administers in part Section 100.42, the Wisconsin Product Safety law. In addition, the department is the Wisconsin designee to represent the Consumer Product Safety Commission, a federal agency.

At this time the department is reviewing the drowning death of Sharon Buetow, the 10 month old daughter of Jason G. Buetow and Susan Buetow of Eau Claire, Wisconsin. The incident involved a bathtub bathing ring. The infant was transferred to St. Paul Childrens' Hospital from Eau Claire Luther Hospital and was in your care from approximately February 15, 1990 to February 21, 1990.

Enclosed are a series of Authorizations for Medical Records Disclosures to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission as signed by Mr. & Mrs. Jason G. Buetow, parents of your patient, Sharon Buetow.

Would St. Paul Childrens' Hospital kindly release all medical records of Sharon Buetow and send them to me:

Thomas J. Brennan, Investigator
Consumer Protection Bureau
927 Loring Street
Altoona, WI 54720

The department appreciates your cooperation with this product safety investigation and will look forward to your correspondence within ten days. If there should be more than a nominal fee assessed for this service, please let us know in advance, otherwise enclose your bill with the requested documents.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Brennan, Investigator
CONSUMER PROTECTION BUREAU
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St Paul MN

You are hereby authorized to furnish the United States Consumer Product Safety Commission

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(the case of Sharon Burtow of Eau Claire Wisconsin
Name

daughter
Relationship to you

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pathological slides, and X-ray reports and films.

3/27/90
(Date)

Susan Burtow
Jessie M. Burtow
(Signature)

Thomas J Brennan
(Witness)

St. Paul Children's Hospital
St Paul

from 15-Feb to 21-Feb 1990

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Name
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pathological slides, and X-ray reports and films.

3/27/90
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Joan M. Burtow
Susan Burtow
(Signature)

Thomas J Brennan
(Witness)

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Dr. Ozolins approx 15 Feb 21 Feb 1996

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(the case of *Sharon Buetow of Eau Claire WI*
Name
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Relationship to you)

including, but not limited to, medical history, physical reports, laboratory reports and pathological slides, and X-ray reports and films.

3/27/90
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(Signature)

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(Witness)

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AUTHORIZATION FOR MEDICAL RECORDS DISCLOSURE

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

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Dr Ring

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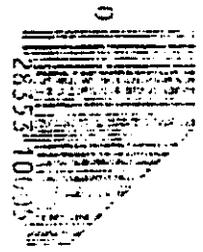
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Baby Support Ring for Bathtime Safety, Help and Convenience



Model 0005 Deluxe Baby Sitter II
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A-Plus Products, Inc.
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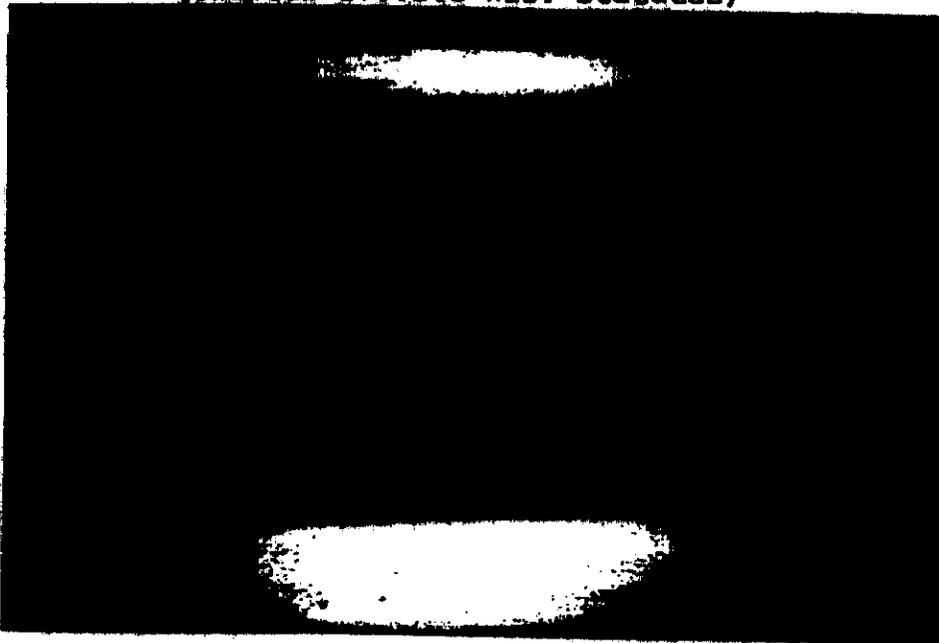


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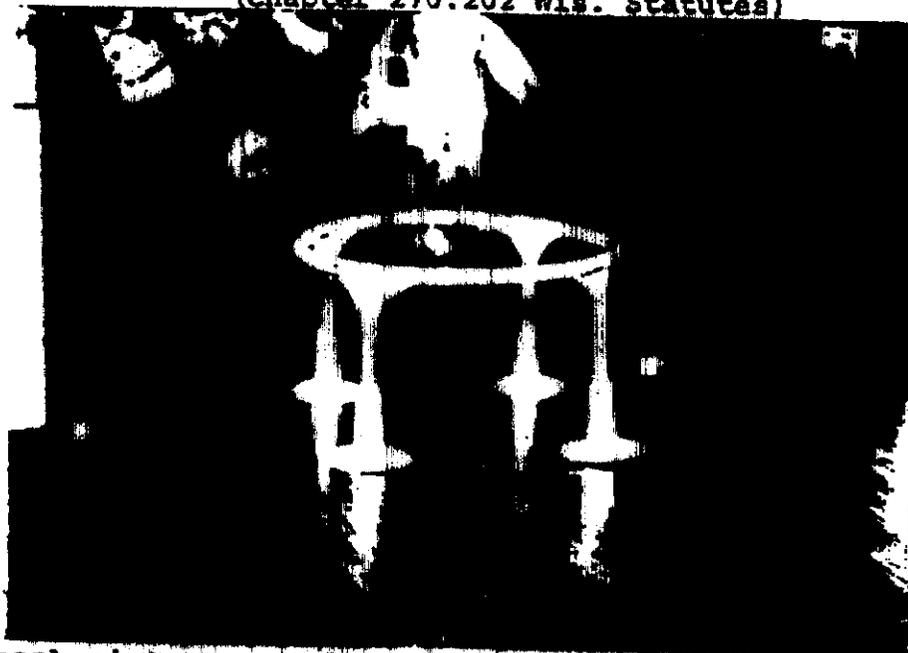


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4. Description of subject Scene and actual conditions - water level,
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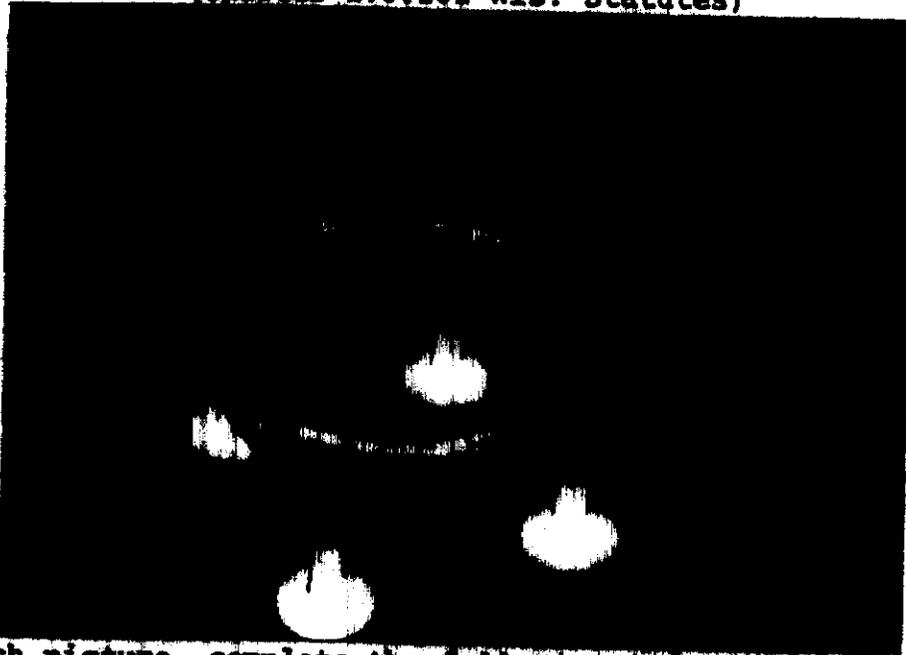


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1. Description of subject "Baby Sitter" bathtub ring (actual ring
involved in infant drowning)
4. Type of Camera and Lens Pentax K 1000 5mm
5. Distance from object @ 5ft
6. Camera Direction and Position North by Northeast @ 190°
7. Type of lighting flash
8. Film Type 35mm 400 Kodak
9. Exposure and F/Stop 60 5.6
10. Type of Filter (if used) NONE
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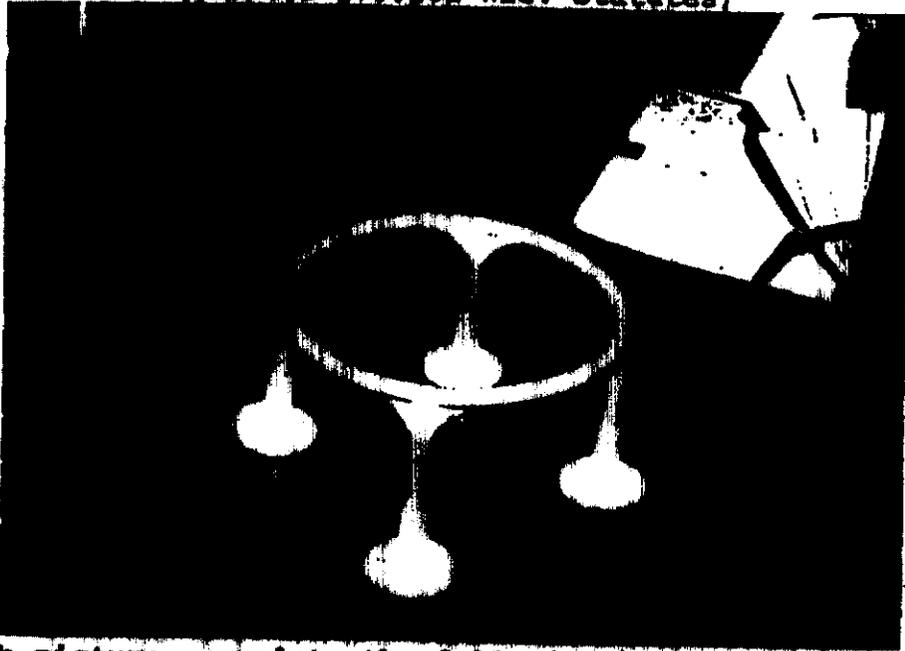


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5. Type of Camera and Lens Pentax K 1000 5mm
6. Distance from object @ 4 ft
7. Camera Direction and Position North by Northeast @ 250°
8. Type of lighting flash
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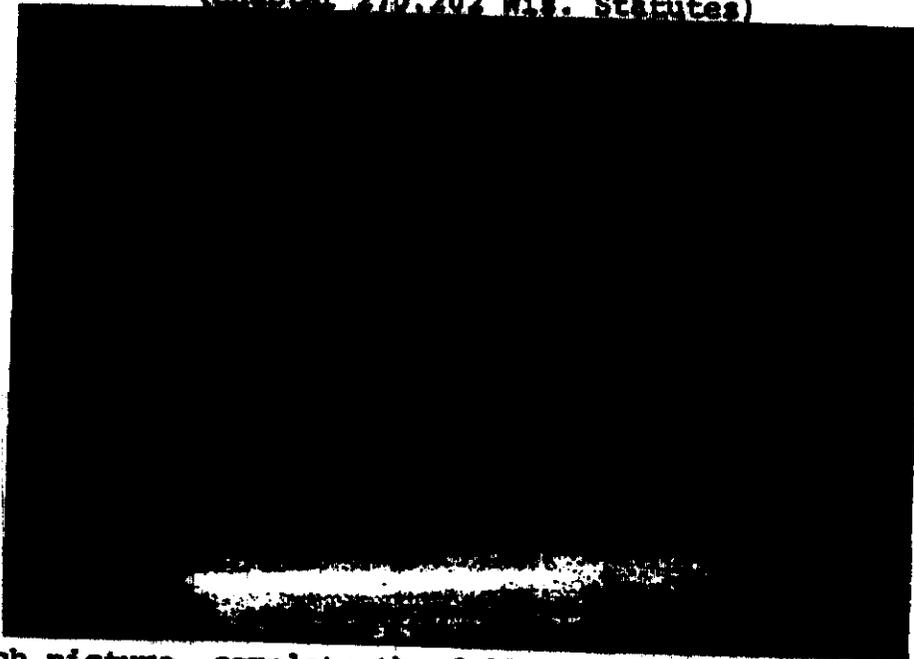


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- 6. Distance from object @ 4 ft
- 7. Camera Direction and Position South by Southwest @ 225°
- 8. Type of lighting flash
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2805 Vine St Eau Claire WI
4. Description of subject "Baby Sitter" bathtub ring in tub
with @ 3" water. (Location of actual incident)
5. Type of Camera and Lens Pentax K 1000 50mm
6. Distance from object @ 4ft
7. Camera Direction and Position South downward @ 245°
8. Type of lighting flash
9. Film Type 35mm 400 Kodak
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7. Camera Direction and Position South downward @ 245°
8. Type of lighting flash
9. Film Type 35mm 400 Kodak
10. Exposure and F/Stop 60 5.6
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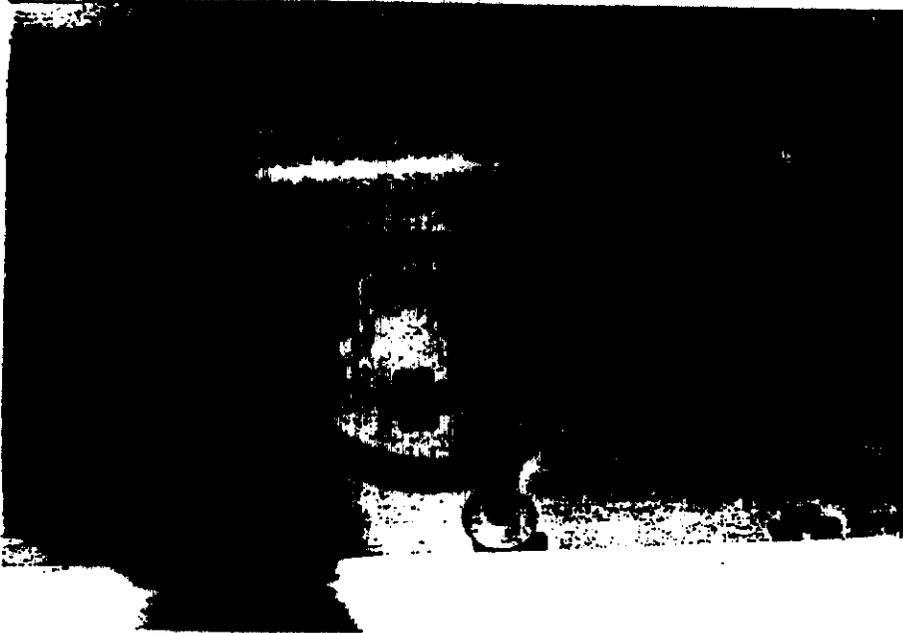


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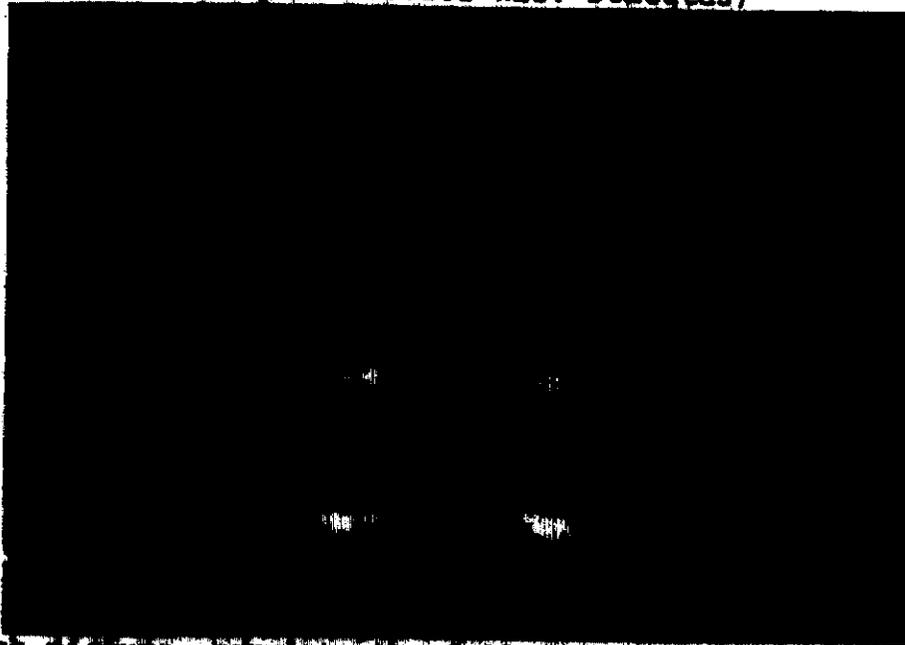


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- . Type of Camera and Lens Pentax K 1000 50mm
- . Distance from object @ 4 ft.
- . Camera Direction and Position South downward @ 245°
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1. Location (indoor or outdoor) and (address) Target - Oakwood Mall Eau Claire WI
2. Description of subject "Baby Sitter II" bathtub - an up grade model of bathtub ring involved in infant drowning incident. Design differs only in a smooth, flat back rest and top attachment loop.
- Type of Camera and Lens Pentax K 1000 5mm
- Distance from object @ 4 ft
- Camera Direction and Position South downward @ 245°
- Type of lighting flash
- Film Type 35mm 400 Kodak
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4. Description of subject "Baby Sitter II" bathtub ring
5. Type of Camera and Lens Pentax K 1000 5mm
6. Distance from object @ 4 ft
7. Camera Direction and Position South downward @ 240°
8. Type of lighting flash
9. Film Type 35mm 400 Kodak
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4. Description of subject "Baby Sitter" bathtub ring - The box extols
that "The Baby Support Ring for Bathing Safety and Convenience" on the front panel
circle about the size of a .25 cent coin reads "WARNING Prevent Drowning
Do Not Leave Child Unattended" The back panel used the same wording without
5. Type of Camera and Lens Pentax K 1000 5mm the signal word WARNING
6. Distance from object @ 6 ft
7. Camera Direction and Position South by Southeast downward @ 195°
8. Type of lighting flash
9. Film Type 35mm 400 Kodak
10. Exposure and F/Stop 60 5.6
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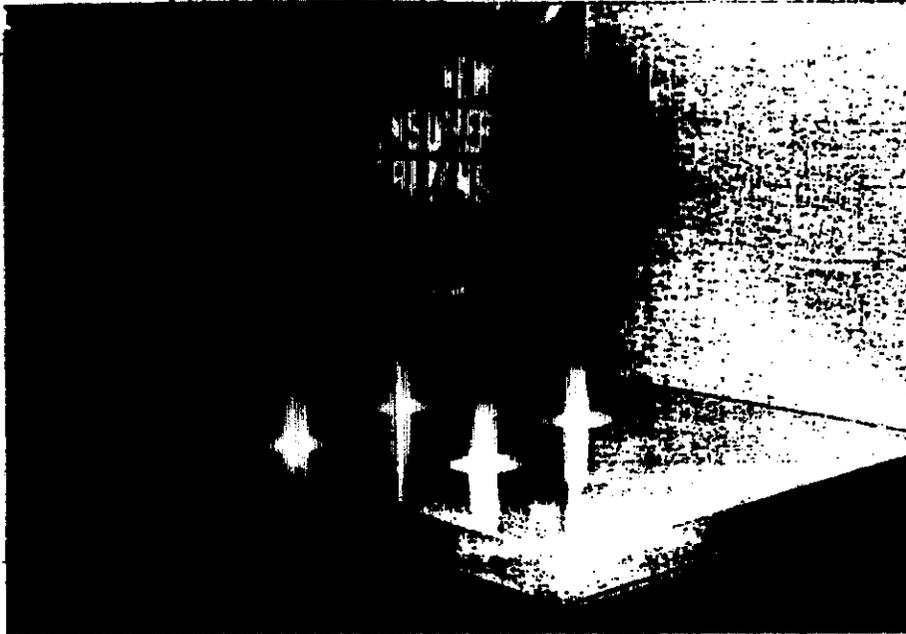


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5. Type of Camera and Lens Pentax K 1000 5mm
6. Distance from object @ 5 ft
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8. Type of lighting flash
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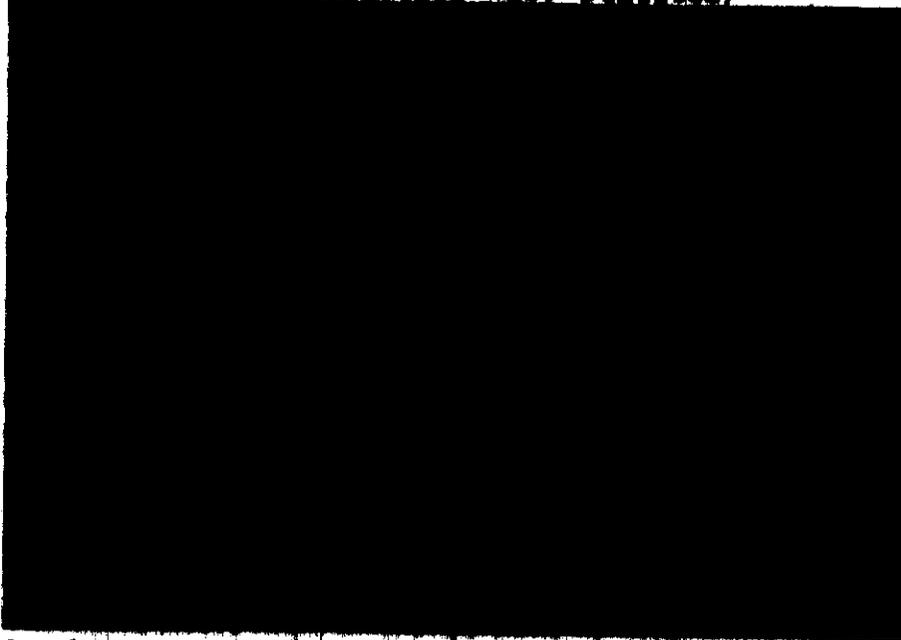
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2. Date and Time Photograph taken 90 03 27 @ 16:00
3. Location (indoor or outdoor) and (address) 927 Loring Altoona WI Office of Consumer Protection
4. Description of subject "Baby Sitter" bathtub ring Patent # 223263 (actual ring involved in infant drowning) "WARNING: DO NOT LEAVE CHILD UNATTENDED" in raised letter of 1/8" along top of ring. There is no color contrast
5. Type of Camera and Lens Pentax K 1000 5mm
6. Distance from object @ 5ft
7. Camera Direction and Position Northwest @ 180°
8. Type of lighting flash
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3. Location (indoor or outdoor) and (address) Consumer Protection Office
927 Hering Ahnape WI
4. Description of subject "Baby Sitter" bathtub ring approx 5"
5. Type of Camera and Lens Pentax K 1000 5mm
6. Distance from object @ 3.5 ft
7. Camera Direction and Position North @ 183°
8. Type of lighting flash
9. Film Type 35mm 400 Kodak
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