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JE,

Sent from my private email address: [REDACTED].

In and out of hospitals for testing for past couple of weeks dealing with tricky electrophysiology-arrhythmia issues.

Spent much of day Tuesday at Weill Cornell Medical Center for two procedures 1) procedure to check for blood clots before 2) zapping the heart rhythms into cardiac resynchronization. My heart was racing out of control. Our client Eric Topol, MD (now at Scripps, former chairman of cardiovascular medicine at Cleveland Clinic) got us to Bruce Lerman, M.D, Chief of the Division of Cardiology and Director of the Electrophysiology Laboratory at Weill-Cornell (<https://weillcornell.org/bblerman>). I am told he's tops in the field. Procedures went well I am told. Have appt with him again tomorrow morning to discuss (a) 3 day hospitalization with drugs to further stabilize heart rate; and/or (b) surgery to same end, and (c) sleep apnea treatment. Am worried about getting pushed into treatments.

My own internist/cardiologist (who is now 85 yrs old - was tops back in the day. I would be in his waiting room - alone - with Jackie O; with Pavarotti, etc.) left for a three-week Sicily vacation Monday and I am flying blind. He left me with a hematologist, Gerard Hellman, MD, who in turn brought in a cardiologist, Richrd Kutnick, MD neither of whom I knew two weeks ago. And neither of which seems to have a solid hospital connection.

In this regard the hematologist sent me in this morning for a phlebotomy (removing blood because of high red count), which relates to sleep apnea. Diuretics didn't work. In fact, they seemed to have backfired. Sleep apnea could be the root problem.

Advice?

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Thanks,

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