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Dear Sirs,

I have been using Lotronex since it has been available on the market. I have had very good results with this in patient with severe spastic colon, men in particular as well as women who have had no relief of their crampy abdominal pain and diarrhea with any other medications and who have done extremely well on this medication and have had no side effects whatsoever. From the literature that I have read and looked at on the patient that were presumed to have the ischemic colitis from the Lotronex it is not clear to me at all that the Lotronex was at fault in any of these cases. I would have a very hard time with my patients if they had to be taken off Lotronex. If you need any further information then please call me.

Sincerely,



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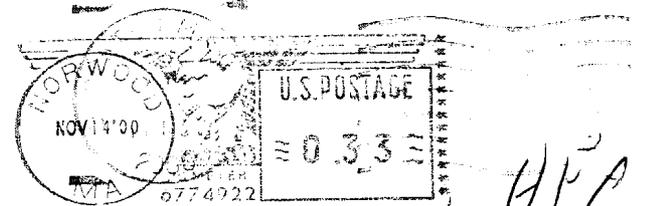
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