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Dr. Divers helps to diagnose Uncle Mo

After seven weeks of extensive testing with some of the top equine internists in the country, Mike Repole, owner of 2-year-old Eclipse Award-winning champion Uncle Mo has been given a diagnosis for the colt, it was announced today.

Following a biopsy of the liver and lymph nodes, it was found that the 3-year-old colt, who has been turned out at WinStar Farm in Lexington, Kentucky for the past three weeks, has been diagnosed with cholangiohepatitis.

The team of internists, including Dr. Tom Divers, issued the following statement: "Uncle Mo has been diagnosed with cholangiohepatitis. The cause of how he contracted cholangiohepatitis is unknown. Since Uncle Mo has been at WinStar he has gained 67 lbs, his blood work is going in the right direction, his energy level is up and his attitude has improved. We are optimistic about his prognosis and getting back to the track and continuing his racing career."

"As long as Uncle Mo is 100 percent healthy he'll be sent back to Todd Pletcher's barn," Repole said. "My hope is for him to arrive back with Todd before August 1. I want to personally thank Dr. Bernard, Dr. Byars, Dr. Divers and all of the other participating vets for their treatment of Uncle Mo. I also would like to thank the entire racing community from fans to the media for their sincere concern for Uncle Mo and his health. My number one priority has always been and always will be the health of this wonderful horse, and though the doctors and I are optimistic that he will return to racing, Uncle Mo's progress and health over the next three months will be the determining factor."