

*Medical Edge Radio from Mayo Clinic*

*Plasma Exchange for MS*

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<b>Intro with music</b>	GIVING YOU THE EDGE ON HEALTHY LIVING, HERE'S MAYO CLINIC MEDICAL EDGE.
	A RELATIVELY NEW TREATMENT IS MAKING BIG DIFFERENCES FOR SOME PATIENTS WITH MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS WHO SUFFER SEVERE, DEBILITATING ATTACKS.
<b>Brian Weinschenker, M.D.</b> <b>Track 2(13:39)</b>	"KIND OF THE WORST NIGHTMARE FOR AN M-S PATIENT. WHAT IF I WAKE UP, AND I'M PARALYZED WITH M-S. I GET THE STERIODS WHICH ARE THE STANDARD TREATMENT, AND I DON'T GET ANY BETTER... "
	MAYO CLINIC NEUROLOGIST BRIAN WEINSHENKER SAYS A PROCESS CALLED PLASMA EXCHANGE IS

	PRODUCING SOME DRAMATIC AND FAIRLY RAPID RECOVERIES.
<b>Dr. Weinshenker</b> <b>Track 2 (15:13)</b>	“THE BLOOD IS SEPARATED INTO THE CELLS AND THE PLASMA. THE PLASMA IS REMOVED AND REPLACED WITH ARTIFICIAL PLASMA.”
	WITH M-S AND OTHER RELATED DISEASES, YOUR IMMUNE SYSTEM WHICH NORMALLY PROTECTS YOU FROM DISEASE, ATTACKS YOUR BODY. PLASMA EXCHANGE MAY REDUCE THOSE EFFECTS. AGAIN, IT’S NOT FOR EVERYONE, BUT PLASMA EXCHANGE CAN PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN TREATING M-S AND RELATED DISEASES.
	FOR MORE INFORMATION, TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR VISIT <a href="http://MAYOCLINIC.ORG">MAYOCLINIC.ORG</a> . I’M VIVIEN WILLIAMS.

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