

## Our ICSI Journey

You're too old for treatment we were told with a sigh,  
But that all changed thanks to Jason Kasraie  
Thirty seven and a half? We'll need to be quick!  
And from that point forwards, our care was slick.

Such patience from nurses with perpetually smiling faces.  
Clare's amused twinkle, never held any airs and graces.  
Yvonne was gentle with explanation of procedures  
While Roz and Wendy helped us stay believers.  
Gwen was never short of a mutter or a quip,  
Invariably provoked by Patrick's cheeky lip!  
And then there's Sharon, Paddy's light in the dark,  
Her positivity and Christmas list have left their mark.  
Mr Sizer, Consultant for our entire journey  
May have felt our meetings akin to a medieval tourney.

Gonadotrophin, cyclogest, cabergoline and more  
Two abandoned cycles but eggs and embryos galore!  
Frozen embryo transfers; anxiously waiting for icicles to thaw,  
Into theatre with Sharon at her window, our kids in her straw.  
Just like the arc, they went in two by two, hurrah!  
And to see Mr Sizer and Mr Mac implant them was bizarre.

Two successful singleton pregnancies in four years  
Finally placated our infertility fears.  
Stanley and Heidi are the children of our dreams,  
And no words could truly explain what means.

Thank you.

Patrick and Helen Snodgrass



Stanley Andrew Snodgrass  
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