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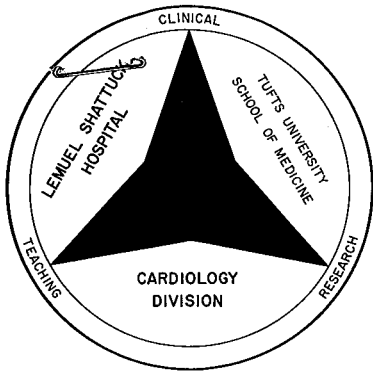
Dear Dr. Dalen:

This letter is in recommendation for the joint appointments of Dr. David Spodick in your institution. I regard David Spodick as one of the handful of physicians distinguished by thoroughgoing clinical training and awareness, sound investigative skills, innovative approaches to modern medicine and courageous and dispassionate views on the medical scene. This combination of skills and philosophy is greatly needed. Dr. Spodick has, with great good humor and directness, exposed effectively many abuses in the medical system and punctured cherished if overblown balloons. He is a stimulating teacher and should greatly strengthen and elevate any institution with which he is associated. It is a pleasure to recommend him to you.

Cordially,

Henry Blackburn, M.D.
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Dear Henry:

This is to ask a favor, which I hope you can provide without any pangs of conscience. I need a letter of recommendation for an upcoming appointment to a dual professorship, Prof of Cardiovascular Medicine and Prof of Medicine at the University of Massachusetts Medical School. I understand that it is a formality, but I am looking for the most distinguished backing nonetheless. The letter should be addressed:

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With thanks and best personal regards,

Yours sincerely,

David H. Spodick, M.D., D.Sc.

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