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Dear Ancel:

If you see Menotti before returning I wish you'd get a clear idea from him about how he has classified Sudden Deaths, along with documentation and criteria. Does he feel secure about all areas being treated similarly in this classification, including the U.S. railroad?

I am interested to firm this up for our current analyses on arrhythmias and for your analyses on obesity in which we might explain some of the discrepancies with Framingham if we had that sudden death end point secured.

Regards,

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