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Dear Bob:

Enclosed is a somewhat dated, but still unpublished, rational for Multifactor trials, which may help answer the questions you posed here.

I was disappointed today not to be able to hire Dick Havlik, but failing that, am delighted that you have. He should be useful to you and to all. You might want to send him to the Epidemiology Council of AHA meeting in Tampa next week.

I've not yet decided for the Bethesda job. One influence would be a clear expression from you of a firm intention of finding a way of living so that the aims of your important work be achieved along with those of CHD prevention on the population scale. I am sure they are quite compatible.

Cordially,

Henry Blackburn, M.D.

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