

April 25, 1966

Dr. Christ Aravanis  
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Dear Christ:

We understand September 1 is the starting date at Corfu. Since we have not heard to the contrary, from our earlier letter, we have gone ahead with plans to have a separate station for magnetic tape recording. Requirements would be a small room or part of a larger testing room, stable power at 50 cps, a comfortable stiff bed or table, and one full-time unskilled female assistant. Please let me know if you have a bicycle ergometer available? Expenses for the engineer and assistant will be borne from this laboratory. We hope to record one or two arterial pulse waves simultaneously with the ECG and thus would be at the same station with Dr. Dontas. There might be as much as 12-15 amps. required in the power supply to that room.

Andy, please inform us immediately the output voltage level of the strain gauge you use for the pulses.

All equipment can be brought in by different people as personal professional tools, but their value (The Rome Elema ECG, the magnetic tape unit, control box, etc.) will be around \$12,000. We would appreciate your making formal entry arrangements for all this equipment with your customs, through the Ministry of Health or wherever appropriate. Please be good enough to let us know the steps taken and papers required.

The dual system of subject identification numbers used in 1965, though it facilitated the field movement, have been a source of possible error here when there was no way of knowing which number on a sample represented which person examined in 1960. If you want to use two serial numbers again, please devise a clear method of distinguishing them.

Dr. Keys feels that we should settle again for only a small sample of fasting serum triglycerides, approximately 15 in each 5 year age group, and make arrangements to send them here air mail every two days. I will bring envelopes and plastic containers for the triglyceride spots.

I will contact Rome for the Elema we used last year.

Cordially,

Henry Blackburn, M. D.

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cc: Dr. Keys  
Dr. Dontas