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Dear Sven:

Thanks for your recent letters, pulse wave data, and information on non-respondents. The enclosed list represents all men with completed forms 10 on Finnish deaths available here. The totals are less than those you wrote to Dr. Keys about, and so we would be grateful for the forms 10 on cause and date of death of the others at your earliest convenience.

With regard to the coding of clinical events, I have expressed my feeling that the earlier outline by which Esko laboriously coded the clinical events, was a bit impractical. However, use the data already assembled as you see fit.

I am enclosing a form in which various degrees of CHD are assembled for prevalence and for definition of cohorts, the definitions are also given, as well as they can be. We are, of course, interested in the "soft" data on angina and heart failure though we know little about the degree of confidence we can have in comparing areas for these items.

We hope you can do a chart review of cases labelled definite and possible heart disease by the examiners, and assign them to the CHD categories listed here. When we receive those subject numbers we can duplicate your work from our microfilm here to see how well we agree.

Please keep in touch.

Regards,

Henry Blackburn, M.D.

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P.S. Good fishing. I've retired from fishing and jazz, hopefully not permanently.

cc: Dr. Keys