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Dear Burt:

I was amazed to see that a major new journal, Coronary Artery Disease, apparently fails even to recognize in its editorial board the existence of the third major medical research discipline that has contributed so much to understanding, treatment and prevention of coronary artery disease; that is, epidemiology, with population studies, and preventive researches. Maybe I missed it in your editorial board list, but it seems to me an unusual commentary. Most people, at least those with the broadest understanding of the disease, have come to embrace evidence from all the major disciplines in its study. I thought that was a widely shared view.

If interested, I could provide a list of suitable reviewers. I also failed to recognize a distinguished pathologist in atherosclerosis, but I may be "behind the times" in both these regards.

Cordially,

Henry Blackburn, MD Professor and Director

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Dear D. Blackburn:

Thank you for your letter regarding CORONARY ARTERY DISEASE. We have proceeded to recruit a superb pathologist to our editorial board although the listing did not include him at the time it was prepared for the initial advertisements. I have thought that it would be desirable to strengthen our board with regard to epidemiology as well, and accordingly was delighted to receive your letter. I would appreciate a list from you of potential reviewers (including yourself if you are willing to assist us) and we will plan to expand the Editorial Board in the future to include additional strength in epidemiology if the manuscripts we receive justify our doing so. Based on our preliminary experience (albeit still embryonic) such will indeed be the case.

If you or your colleagues have material that you feel might be suitable for the journal, we would be delighted to have the opportunity to review it and to consider it for publication.

As you know, I have been a big fan of yours for many years not only because of your professional and philosophical strengths but also because of your musical talents and other impressive attributes. For this reason, I was particularly pleased that you took the time to write to me regarding the new journal. We hope that we can count on your support. Best regards.

Sincerely yours,

Barton E. Sobel, M.D.

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