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CHARLES CRENSHAW, M.D.	)	IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
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	)	JOHNSON COUNTY, TEXAS
vs.	)	
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GEORGE LUNDBERG, DENNIS	)	
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ASSOCIATION D/B/A JOURNAL	)	
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1 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: We are on the record. This is  
2 the beginning of the deposition of Dr. Lundberg. The  
3 date is December 28th, 1993, and the time is  
4 approximately 10:08 a.m.

5 MR. KIZZIA: Actually it's a continuation of the  
6 deposition that we began last week on December 21st,  
7 1993.

8 GEORGE LUNDBERG, M.D.,  
9 called as an expert herein, having been first duly  
10 sworn, was examined and testified as follows:

11 EXAMINATION (Resumed)

12 BY MR. KIZZIA:

13 Q Do you understand that, Dr. Lundberg?

14 A I understand.

15 Q You understand you are still under oath just as  
16 you were last week?

17 A I do.

18 Q Did you do anything to prepare for the  
19 continuation of your deposition today between the time  
20 that we finished last week and the beginning of the  
21 deposition today?

22 A I provided responses to the several questions  
23 brought by attorney Kizzia through Mr. Hoppe to me for  
24 counsel.

1 Q What questions were those, do you recall?

2 MR. BABCOCK: He's talking about your supplemental  
3 request for documents.

4 MR. KIZZIA: Let me show you what I've had marked  
5 for identification purposes as Exhibit 47.

6 (Document tendered to  
7 the deponent.)

8 BY MR. KIZZIA:

9 Q I ask you to take a look at it. That is a copy  
10 of the supplemental notice scheduling the continuation  
11 of your deposition for today and requesting that you  
12 bring to your deposition today certain items which are  
13 shown on Exhibit A to the supplemental notice.

14 Have you seen that document before?

15 A I saw a facsimile of it.

16 Q When you said that you endeavored to provide  
17 some information to your counsel in response to my  
18 request, were you referencing the items requested that  
19 are listed on that document?

20 A I didn't say my counsel. I said to counsel  
21 meaning whichever counsel has a right to the  
22 information.

23 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Go off the record for a second.

24 (Discussion held off the record.)

1 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: We are back on the record.

2 THE WITNESS: These are the items, and this is the  
3 supplemental notice to which I referred.

4 BY MR. KIZZIA:

5 Q You will recall that at your deposition last  
6 week you identified two types of publications or two  
7 publications regarding journalistic or editorial ethics  
8 that you felt were authoritative?

9 A Yes.

10 MR. BABCOCK: Wait a minute. I'm not sure that's  
11 what you said. The question last week was about  
12 editing, and you responded to that. And he now has  
13 transferred that into journalistic ethics so be careful  
14 to listen to what he says.

15 THE WITNESS: Thank you, counsel.

16 BY MR. KIZZIA:

17 Q Do you wish to qualify your answer?

18 A I wish to hear the question again so I can be  
19 alert to its implication.

20 MR. BABCOCK: Just read the question back if you  
21 could, please.

22 (Record read.)

23 BY MR. KIZZIA:

24 Q Do you wish to qualify your answer?

1           A       I have not given an answer. Or if I gave one,  
2 I wish to qualify it.

3           Q       Here is your opportunity. Go ahead. Qualify  
4 it if you want to.

5           A       I recall providing two references in response  
6 to whatever questions were specified as the record will  
7 show from December 21.

8                       My memory does not allow me to recall the  
9 exact wording of your questions on December 21, and I  
10 have not been provided with a copy of the transcript so  
11 I have no way to recall this morning the exact words.

12          Q       Well, item number 25 that's attached to the  
13 supplemental deposition notice requested you to produce  
14 copies of the two publications regarding journalistic  
15 and/or editorial ethics that you identified as  
16 authoritative during your deposition testimony in this  
17 case on December 21st, 1993.

18                       Do you have --

19          A       Are you asking me --

20          MR. BABCOCK: Wait a minute. He hadn't finished his  
21 question yet. He doesn't have a question. Let him ask  
22 one.

23 BY MR. KIZZIA:

24          Q       My question is, do you have anything to produce



1 here today responsive to that request?

2 MR. BABCOCK: Yeah. And, Brad, let me interpose  
3 here. Without agreeing or disagreeing with your  
4 characterization of his testimony because that will  
5 speak for itself, Dr. Lundberg has provided to me this  
6 morning documents that I believe are responsive to  
7 number 25.

8 I have not had a chance to review them,  
9 but I will at the break and will furnish them to you  
10 unless there's some reason not to, which I don't expect  
11 there is.

12 BY MR. KIZZIA:

13 Q Look at item number 26. It requested  
14 production of a copy of the text or notes reflecting the  
15 speech or presentation that you made on the JFK  
16 assassination at the conference in Chicago in April of  
17 '93.

18 Do you have anything to produce here today  
19 responsive to that request?

20 A I do.

21 MR. KIZZIA: Is that another thing that you haven't  
22 had a chance to review yet?

23 MR. BABCOCK: I haven't reviewed anything. He  
24 handed me a pile of documents, so.

1 MR. KIZZIA: Okay. So at some point in today's  
2 deposition assuming that you don't have any objection to  
3 lodge you expect you'll be able to produce a copy of  
4 that?

5 MR. BABCOCK: Right.

6 BY MR. KIZZIA:

7 Q Item number 27 asked you to produce copies of  
8 all versions of JAMA's instructions for authors that  
9 have been in effect since January 1st, 1992.

10 Do you have anything to produce at the  
11 deposition today responsive to that request?

12 A I do.

13 Q Has that been given to counsel for review and  
14 possible production later today?

15 A It has.

16 Q On that point let me ask you this. Have the  
17 instructions for authors that JAMA utilizes been  
18 modified since January 1st, 1992?

19 A They have.

20 Q How many times have they been modified?

21 A I'm not sure.

22 Q How many versions of the instructions for  
23 authors that have been in effect since January 1st,  
24 1992, are you going to be able to produce?

1 A Four.

2 Q Looking at item 28 it requested production of  
3 all versions of JAMA's letters policies that have been  
4 in effect since January 1st, 1992.

5 Do you have anything to produce responsive  
6 to that request?

7 A Yes.

8 Q Has that been given to counsel for review and  
9 hopeful later production during today's deposition?

10 A Yes.

11 Q Has JAMA's letters policy been revised or  
12 modified since January 1st, 1992?

13 A Yes.

14 Q How many times has it been revised or modified?

15 A I think once.

16 Q How many versions of JAMA's letter policies do  
17 you think that you will be in a position to produce  
18 today?

19 A Two.

20 Q Two?

21 A Two.

22 Q Looking at item 29 it requested production of  
23 all versions of JAMA's corrections policy that had been  
24 in effect since January 1st, 1992.

1                   Have you produced anything to counsel for  
2 review and hopeful later production during today's  
3 deposition responsive to that request?

4           A       Yes.

5           Q       Does JAMA have a written corrections policy?

6           A       In a sense.

7           Q       Please explain your answer to that question  
8 and what you mean by in a sense?

9           A       There is a correction policy in the AMA manual  
10 on style which we followed.

11          Q       Has the corrections policy followed by JAMA  
12 been modified or revised since January 1st, 1992?

13          A       No.

14          Q       So will you have one policy to produce in  
15 response to the request for the corrections policy?

16          A       Yes.

17          Q       Dr. Lundberg, were there any confidential  
18 sources utilized for the two articles written by  
19 Mr. Breo and published in JAMA on May 27th, 1992?

20          A       Yes.

21          Q       Were there any of confidential sources utilized  
22 by Mr. Breo in connection with the second article or  
23 part two article that he wrote that was published in  
24 JAMA on May 27th, 1992?

1 THE WITNESS: Time.

2 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Off.

3 (Discussion held off the record.)

4 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Back on the record. It's  
5 10:19.

6 THE WITNESS: I cannot testify to what Mr. Breo did  
7 or did not do. I can only testify of my own personal  
8 knowledge.

9 BY MR. KIZZIA:

10 Q Let me ask you the question this way. Do you  
11 know whether or not Mr. Breo relied upon any  
12 confidential sources in writing the two articles on the  
13 JFK case that appeared in the May 27th, 1992, edition of  
14 JAMA?

15 A Yes.

16 Q What do you know about that?

17 MR. BABCOCK: Don't tell him who the sources are.

18 THE WITNESS: They are confidential.

19 MR. BABCOCK: Right. So don't answer that.

20 THE WITNESS: And will remain such.

21 MR. BABCOCK: Okay. Good.

22 BY MR. KIZZIA:

23 Q Well, then if you know that he did rely upon a  
24 confidential source or sources I don't understand your



1 answer to my question about the second part of the  
2 article where I ask whether or not he had relied upon  
3 any confidential sources in connection with writing that  
4 second article or the second part of the article.

5 MR. BABCOCK: That's not a question. That's a  
6 statement.

7 BY MR. KIZZIA:

8 Q Would you explain your prior answer on that  
9 where you said that you cannot -- you cannot testify as  
10 to what Mr. Breo did or didn't do when you have now said  
11 that you know that he did rely upon a confidential  
12 source or sources?

13 A I only know what I know as to his reliance, and  
14 I can't -- I am unable to state how many or which or  
15 which applied to which article.

16 And, of course, I cannot reveal the names  
17 of any confidential sources.

18 Q But you are saying that you know that Mr. Breo  
19 relied upon a confidential source or sources in his  
20 writing one or both of the two articles that were  
21 published in JAMA on May 27th, 1992?

22 A Did you say one or both?

23 Q Right.

24 A Yes.

1 Q Was it one confidential source or more than one  
2 confidential source that you know about?

3 A More than one.

4 Q How many confidential sources would you say?

5 A More than one.

6 Q Can you be any more specific than that?

7 A Not really.

8 Q From your point of view as editor in chief of  
9 JAMA could you explain what you mean by a confidential  
10 source?

11 A A confidential source is a source available to  
12 a writer or editor that is protected by our policy of  
13 ethics of editing and parenthetically by law.

14 Q Is a confidential source a person?

15 A It may be.

16 Q Based upon what you know in this case is the  
17 confidential source used by Mr. Breo or confidential  
18 sources used by Mr. Breo in writing the two articles,  
19 one or both of the articles that were published in JAMA  
20 on May 27th, 1992, a person or persons?

21 A Yes.

22 Q You said that a confidential source is one that  
23 is available to a writer or editor. Was one or more of  
24 the confidential sources used by Mr. Breo in writing his

1 articles available to you?

2 MR. BABCOCK: Available in what sense? Well, I'll  
3 object to the form of the question. It's one question  
4 if you mean available did he talk to them or did he meet  
5 with them, that's one thing.

6 Available meaning that there are 15  
7 secretaries in this building that are available to him,  
8 but that doesn't mean he met them or talked with them.

9 BY MR. KIZZIA:

10 Q Well, I was just using the language you used,  
11 Dr. Lundberg. You said it's a confidential source  
12 that's available to a writer or editor.

13 MR. BABCOCK: Sure. But when you turn that  
14 definition in a global sense into a specific sense, it  
15 could be confusing. It doesn't matter. You can ask him  
16 both questions.

17 MR. KIZZIA: Let's start off with this,  
18 Dr. Lundberg.

19 BY MR. KIZZIA:

20 Q Did you personally speak with the confidential  
21 sources that Mr. Breo supposedly relied upon in writing  
22 the articles that were published in JAMA on May 27th,  
23 1992?

24 A Mr. Kizzia, I've already testified to the

1 effect that I cannot speak for Mr. Breo, and I cannot  
2 speak for what sources he did or did not rely on.

3 Q But you said that you know that he did rely on  
4 confidential sources; is that right?

5 A That is right.

6 Q What is the basis for your knowledge of that?

7 A My personal knowledge by having had such  
8 contact with sources myself.

9 Q What kind of contact are you referring to?

10 A Verbal contact.

11 Q Over the telephone, in letter communications?

12 A Verbal contact.

13 Q So a face-to-face meeting?

14 A Yes.

15 Q How many confidential sources did you have  
16 face-to-face meetings with?

17 THE WITNESS: Time.

18 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Audio off, 10:26.

19 MR. BABCOCK: Read back the question.

20 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Back on the record, 10:28.

21 (Record read.)

22 MR. BABCOCK: Just for the purposes of the record  
23 keep that question in mind, but I'll object to it  
24 because it's not confined to the articles or to time

1 which is why the witness is having a problem with it.

2 MR. KIZZIA: Well, I meant, and I'll just restate  
3 the question.

4 BY MR. KIZZIA:

5 Q How many face-to-face meetings with  
6 confidential sources did you have pertaining to the  
7 articles that were written by Mr. Breo and published in  
8 JAMA on May 27th, 1992?

9 A More than one.

10 Q Can you be any more specific than that?

11 A Fewer than ten.

12 Q Were there multiple meetings with the same  
13 people or same person or are you talking about one  
14 meeting with each confidential source?

15 A Neither.

16 Q Well, could you explain your answer?

17 A In one instance there was one meeting with one  
18 source. In another there may have been more than one  
19 meeting.

20 Q There may have been more than one meeting with  
21 one source?

22 A Yes.

23 Q And you had one meeting with one other source?

24 A Yes.



1 Q So then are you saying there are basically two  
2 confidential sources that you had face-to-face meetings  
3 with pertaining to the articles that Mr. Breo wrote that  
4 were published in JAMA on May 27th, 1992?

5 A I am not saying that.

6 Q What are you saying then?

7 MR. BABCOCK: He said what he said. If you want to  
8 ask him about what he said, go ahead.

9 BY MR. KIZZIA:

10 Q Are you saying that you don't know whether or  
11 not or you don't recall whether or not you had meetings  
12 with other confidential sources?

13 A I can't recall a specific number of sources or  
14 meetings.

15 Q Do you remember what the subject matter of the  
16 meetings were?

17 A Yes.

18 Q Please tell us what the subject matters of the  
19 meetings were?

20 THE WITNESS: Time.

21 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Audio off, 10:31.

22 (Discussion held off the record.)

23 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Audio back on, 10:32.

24 MR. BABCOCK: Brad, as you know, we have

1 consistently lodged an objection throughout discovery  
2 to -- discovery on confidential sources.

3 As you probably know from our pleadings  
4 there is a statute in Illinois that protects not only  
5 the identity but communications between somebody such as  
6 Dr. Lundberg and a confidential source.

7 However, I will instruct him or I'll ask  
8 him. Maybe instruct is the wrong word. But I'll ask  
9 him to reveal to you not the identity or anything  
10 tending to reveal the identity of a confidential source  
11 but any conversations relating to the information in the  
12 articles relating to your clients.

13 And, of course, we take the position that  
14 Mr. Shaw is not referred to in the articles, but  
15 obviously Dr. Crenshaw is named.

16 So to that extent I'm going to ask the  
17 witness to respond, but otherwise not. Does that make  
18 sense?

19 MR. KIZZIA: Okay.

20 MR. BABCOCK: So now, I think, Mr. Kizzia is at  
21 least for the moment accepting my limitation. So you  
22 can tell him about any conversations that you had with  
23 any confidential source relating to information in  
24 either of the two articles about Dr. Crenshaw, okay.

1 MR. KIZZIA: I, of course, am not agreeing with your  
2 objection, but I'm --

3 MR. BABCOCK: I said for the moment.

4 MR. KIZZIA: I understand that his answer is going  
5 to be so limited.

6 MR. BABCOCK: Okay. Yeah.

7 THE WITNESS: I had a conversation with a  
8 confidential source regarding what was alleged to me to  
9 be invalid observations and statements from Dr. Crenshaw  
10 as incorporated in his book JFK: Conspiracy of Silence.

11 BY MR. KIZZIA:

12 Q Was it one conversation, one such conversation?

13 A It was more than one conversation.

14 Q Would the same confidential source?

15 A With the same confidential source.

16 Q Was this a face-to-face meeting?

17 A Yes.

18 Q Or face-to-face meetings?

19 A Yes.

20 Q Where did these meetings take place?

21 A By my recollection in Chicago.

22 Q At the AMA offices?

23 A By my recollection not at the AMA offices.

24 Q Where?

1 MR. BABCOCK: Well, that might tend to reveal the  
2 identity of the source unless it was at the Soldier  
3 Field or something.

4 BY MR. KIZZIA:

5 Q Would revealing the location of your meeting or  
6 meetings with this confidential source reveal who he or  
7 she is?

8 A I don't think so.

9 Q Where did the meetings take place?

10 A An eating establishment.

11 Q A restaurant?

12 A That's one word for it.

13 Q What's the name of the restaurant?

14 A I don't recall.

15 Q Were there more than one meeting at this  
16 restaurant or eating establishment?

17 A No.

18 Q Did any meeting take place other than at the  
19 eating establishment?

20 A Yes.

21 Q Where else did the meeting take place?

22 A I don't recall exactly.

23 Q Who was present during these meetings?

24 A I don't recall.

1 Q Was anyone present other than you and the  
2 confidential source?

3 A Possibly, but I'm not sure.

4 Q Did the meeting or meetings take place prior to  
5 your trip to Florida to interview Dr. Humes and  
6 Dr. Boswell?

7 A No.

8 Q Did your meeting or meetings with the  
9 confidential source take place prior to the press  
10 conference on May 19th, 1992?

11 A Yes.

12 Q All of the meetings?

13 THE WITNESS: Time.

14 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Audio off, 10:38.

15 (Discussion held off the record.)

16 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Back on, 10:38.

17 THE WITNESS: My counsel narrowed the question to  
18 state meetings with this confidential source about this  
19 subject?

20 MR. KIZZIA: Right.

21 THE WITNESS: No others.

22 BY MR. KIZZIA:

23 Q So all of such meetings took place prior to the  
24 press conference of May 19th, 1992?



1           A       That is true.

2           Q       Let me show you what I've had marked for  
3 identification purposes Exhibit 3HH.

4           MR. BABCOCK: That's a prior exhibit, right?

5           MR. KIZZIA: Right.

6           MR. BABCOCK: We got it.

7 BY MR. KIZZIA:

8           Q       While you are looking it up before I get to  
9 that let me ask you this. Did all of the meetings that  
10 you had with this confidential source take place in  
11 Chicago?

12          A       I don't recall.

13          Q       Do you recall traveling to meet with any  
14 confidential source in connection with the May 27th,  
15 1992 articles that were written by Mr. Breo?

16          A       No.

17          Q       Referring to Exhibit 3HH, you see down in the  
18 left-hand corner where you have listed certain points  
19 alleged to be errors, Crenshaw errors, do you see that?

20          A       I do.

21          Q       Was that list of alleged errors based upon your  
22 conversation or conversations with the confidential  
23 source?

24          A       No.

1 Q Do you know what the last item listed there as  
2 an alleged Crenshaw error is?

3 MR. BABCOCK: You mean can he read it?

4 MR. KIZZIA: No. Obviously he can't read it.

5 BY MR. KIZZIA:

6 Q Do you know what it is?

7 MR. BABCOCK: The part that's been --

8 BY MR. KIZZIA:

9 Q See that last item is cut off under no autopsy.

10 A Do I know what's not written here?

11 Q What's the last item listed there that you can  
12 read?

13 A No autopsy dash check box.

14 Q Do you know what else you may have listed on  
15 the original document?

16 A No.

17 MR. KIZZIA: Can we find that out during the break,  
18 Chip?

19 MR. BABCOCK: If Rick Nelson were here, we probably  
20 could. And maybe even without him we can.

21 MR. KIZZIA: Let's see if we can find that out.

22 MR. BABCOCK: You give me a lot of assignments  
23 during the break, Brad.

24 MR. KIZZIA: We'll take a long break if you want to.

1 Even at the lunch break would be fine.

2 BY MR. KIZZIA:

3 Q With regard to this so-called confidential  
4 source, is this the same source supposedly relied upon  
5 by Mr. Breo?

6 MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.

7 THE WITNESS: I don't know.

8 BY MR. KIZZIA:

9 Q Do you know whether or not Mr. Breo ever spoke  
10 to this so-called confidential source?

11 MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question,  
12 so-called.

13 THE WITNESS: I don't know who Mr. Breo spoke to.

14 BY MR. KIZZIA:

15 Q Do you really know whether or not he himself  
16 personally relied upon any confidential sources in  
17 writing the two articles that he wrote that were  
18 published in JAMA on May 27th, 1992?

19 A Yes.

20 Q What do you know, that he did or that he  
21 didn't?

22 A He did.

23 Q Are you saying then that you know that he  
24 relied upon at least one confidential source other than

1 the confidential source that you have referred to as  
2 someone that you met with and that shared with you some  
3 alleged invalid observations or statements made in  
4 Dr. Crenshaw's book?

5 MR. BABCOCK: I don't think you meant to put your  
6 alleged where you put it, but I'll object to the form of  
7 the question. That's not what he said before.

8 Go ahead and respond to it if you can.

9 THE WITNESS: As best I understand the question, I  
10 think the answer is yes.

11 BY MR. KIZZIA:

12 Q How is it that you know that Mr. Breo  
13 supposedly relied upon some other confidential source?

14 A I provided him with the information.

15 Q You mean you provided him with the information  
16 from a confidential source or you provided him with the  
17 identity of the confidential source so that Mr. Breo  
18 could talk to the confidential source?

19 A Information.

20 Q Are you saying that based upon your  
21 conversations with your confidential source and as a  
22 result of those conversations you passed on information  
23 to Mr. Breo for use in his writing of the articles?

24 A For use in his study of the issues, not

1 necessarily for the writing, per se.

2 Q Do you know whether or not Mr. Breo himself  
3 talked with or met with any other confidential source?

4 A I don't know.

5 Q As far as the information that you shared with  
6 Mr. Breo, was that from one confidential source or  
7 multiple confidential sources?

8 A Multiple.

9 Q With regard to Dr. Crenshaw and his book JFK:  
10 Conspiracy of Silence, how many confidential sources did  
11 you obtain information from that you shared with Mr.  
12 Breo?

13 A Several.

14 Q Can you be any more specific?

15 A Fewer than ten.

16 Q And more than how many? More than one?

17 A More than one.

18 Q More than two?

19 A More than two.

20 Q More than three?

21 A More than three.

22 Q More than four?

23 A I'm not sure.

24 Q Did you meet with each of these confidential



1 sources in Chicago?

2 A No.

3 Q Let me ask the question again.

4 Did you meet with each of these  
5 confidential sources in Chicago?

6 A No.

7 Q You've told us about one confidential source  
8 that you met with in Chicago at an eating establishment,  
9 right?

10 A Right.

11 Q Did you have meetings with the other  
12 confidential sources, face-to-face meetings?

13 A No.

14 Q Did you have telephone conversations with the  
15 other confidential sources?

16 A Yes.

17 Q Did you call them or did they call you?

18 A I don't recall.

19 Q Was anyone else a party to the telephone  
20 conversations other than you and the confidential  
21 sources?

22 A No.

23 Q Were those telephone conversations --  
24 Strike that.

1                   Did those telephone conversations occur  
2 prior to your meeting and interviews with Dr. Humes and  
3 Boswell in Florida in April of 1992?

4           A       Some.

5           Q       Were those telephone conversations specifically  
6 intended to provide information to be used in writing  
7 the articles that were published in JAMA on May 27th,  
8 1992?

9           MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.  
10 Intended by whom?

11                               Go ahead and answer it if you can.

12           THE WITNESS: No.

13 BY MR. KIZZIA:

14           Q       Do you know whether or not the information that  
15 you obtained from the confidential sources in the  
16 telephone conversations that you referred to was  
17 actually used by Mr. Breo in writing the articles that  
18 that were published in JAMA on May 27th, 1992?

19           A       Yes.

20           Q       What what do you know about that?

21           A       Some was and some wasn't.

22           Q       How do you know that?

23           A       I know what information I provided to Mr. Breo  
24 personally, and I know what's in the articles.

1 Q When you say you provided information to  
2 Mr. Breo, did you do it in the form of a memo or in an  
3 oral conversation or what?

4 A A conversation.

5 Q Does JAMA have a written policy pertaining to  
6 the use of confidential sources?

7 A No.

8 Q Was anything in writing obtained from any  
9 confidential source?

10 A No.

11 Q Were there any written notes made pertaining to  
12 any meeting or conversation with a confidential source?

13 A I don't know.

14 Q Did you personally make any notes pertaining to  
15 any meeting or resulting from any meeting or  
16 conversation that you had with a confidential source?

17 A No.

18 Q Can you tell me what information you received  
19 from any confidential source pertaining to Dr. Crenshaw  
20 or the book JFK: Conspiracy of Silence?

21 MR. BABCOCK: Outside of what he's already testified  
22 to.

23 THE WITNESS: I stand on my prior testimony in  
24 response to the same question.

1 MR. KIZZIA: Well, I don't believe I asked the same  
2 question.

3 MR. BABCOCK: In fairness he asked you about one  
4 specific conversation. He wants to now know if there  
5 are any others.

6 THE WITNESS: Please restate the question.

7 BY MR. KIZZIA:

8 Q Can you tell me any information concerning  
9 Dr. Crenshaw or the book JFK: Conspiracy of Silence  
10 that you obtained from any confidential source?

11 THE WITNESS: Time out.

12 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Audio off, 10:53.

13 (Discussion held off the record.)

14 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Audio back on, 10:54.

15 MR. BABCOCK: Do you want the question back or do  
16 you remember it?

17 THE WITNESS: I think I remember it. I received  
18 from confidential source or sources information that  
19 statements contained in the Crenshaw book JFK:  
20 Conspiracy of Silence were suspect, were not soundly  
21 based on science, were worrisome in that they were in  
22 conflict with observations and beliefs of others who had  
23 more knowledge and experience in forensic medicine than  
24 did Dr. Crenshaw, and that statements in his book

1 regarding key elements of the autopsy were subject to  
2 extreme doubt.

3 BY MR. KIZZIA:

4 Q Dr. Lundberg, earlier you said that you had a  
5 conversation with a confidential source probably at a  
6 meeting at an eating establishment in Chicago where he  
7 or she told you about allegedly invalid statements in  
8 Dr. Crenshaw's book?

9 MR. BABCOCK: Statements and observations in  
10 Crenshaw's book is what he said.

11 MR. KIZZIA: Okay.

12 BY MR. KIZZIA:

13 Q Do you recall saying that?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Are you now saying that there were other  
16 meetings or conversations with different confidential  
17 sources where you obtained other allegations challenging  
18 statements made in Dr. Crenshaw's book?

19 MR. BABCOCK: He didn't say meetings I don't think,  
20 but I think he did say conversations.

21 THE WITNESS: If you said meetings or conversations,  
22 the answer is yes.

23 BY MR. KIZZIA:

24 Q Had you already read Dr. Crenshaw's book before



1 you received information from a confidential source or  
2 sources pertaining to allegedly invalid statements made  
3 in Dr. Crenshaw's book?

4 A Attempting to be responsive the answer is yes  
5 and no depending upon which sources.

6 Q Let's talk first about the meeting that you had  
7 at an eating establishment in Chicago with one  
8 confidential source wherein you were told about  
9 allegedly invalid statements made in Dr. Crenshaw's  
10 book.

11 Is that before or after you had read  
12 Dr. Crenshaw's book?

13 A I don't recall the date of that meeting, so I  
14 can't really say.

15 Q But you do know or do you know whether or not  
16 the telephone conversations with other confidential  
17 sources about Dr. Crenshaw's book occurred before or  
18 after you read the book?

19 A My recollection is some before and some after.

20 Q What statements were you told from confidential  
21 sources were suspect?

22 A I was told that one should doubt the scientific  
23 validity of much of the substance of the book without  
24 specifics for the most part.

1 Q Why were you told that you should doubt the  
2 scientific validity -- Let me restate the question.

3 What was your understanding as to the  
4 reasons that you should doubt the scientific validity of  
5 statements in the book?

6 MR. BABCOCK: I object to the form of the question.  
7 Assumes facts not in evidence.

8 Go ahead.

9 THE WITNESS: My understanding was that others who  
10 had reason to have more knowledge about the subject  
11 disagreed fundamentally with statements in the book.

12 BY MR. KIZZIA:

13 Q What persons are you saying should have had  
14 more knowledge than Dr. Crenshaw?

15 MR. BABCOCK: Without identifying the confidential  
16 source.

17 BY MR. KIZZIA:

18 Q Would that identify confidential source?

19 A Yes.

20 Q Can you tell me anything specific in  
21 Dr. Crenshaw's book that you were told by one of your  
22 confidential sources that you should doubt?

23 MR. BABCOCK: You mean something in Crenshaw's book  
24 that he should doubt?

1 MR. KIZZIA: Right.

2 MR. BABCOCK: Not that he should doubt the  
3 confidential source?

4 MR. KIZZIA: Right.

5 THE WITNESS: I can't recall any one specific thing.

6 BY MR. KIZZIA:

7 Q Can you recall any specific thing?

8 A No.

9 Q You said that you found or maybe it was one of  
10 your confidential sources that found statements in  
11 Dr. Crenshaw's book worrisome because there was conflict  
12 with statements of others who may have also had  
13 knowledge, maybe even more knowledge about certain  
14 aspects of the JFK case?

15 A What is the question?

16 Q My question is why would that be worrisome to  
17 you, the fact that Dr. Crenshaw may have said or made  
18 points in his book that were in conflict with things  
19 that had been said by others?

20 MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.

21 MR. WATLER: I'll join the objection.

22 MR. BABCOCK: He didn't say it was worrisome to him.

23 MR. KIZZIA: Let's clarify.

24

1 BY MR. KIZZIA:

2 Q When you used the word "worrisome" to describe  
3 the conflict between what Dr. Crenshaw had said in his  
4 book and what others had said, were you talking about  
5 worrisome to you, you found it worrisome or worrisome to  
6 your confidential sources?

7 MR. BABCOCK: Or worrisome to somebody else.

8 THE WITNESS: When I used the word worrisome, it was  
9 in relation to confidential sources.

10 BY MR. KIZZIA:

11 Q Was the doubt communicated to you about  
12 statements made in Dr. Crenshaw's book by one or more of  
13 your confidential sources based upon any such  
14 confidential source's personal knowledge?

15 A Yes.

16 Q Was it based upon personal knowledge of all  
17 your confidential sources? In other words, did all of  
18 your confidential sources have personal knowledge about  
19 information pertaining to the JFK case?

20 MR. BABCOCK: You just changed the question from the  
21 book to the JFK case.

22 THE WITNESS: What is personal knowledge?

23 MR. KIZZIA: Based upon their own observation, not  
24 based upon what somebody told them.

1 THE WITNESS: Would you rephrase the question.

2 BY MR. KIZZIA:

3 Q Was the information provided to you by any of  
4 your confidential sources based upon personal knowledge  
5 of the JFK case?

6 A Yes.

7 Q Was the information provided to you by  
8 confidential sources based upon personal knowledge of  
9 Dr. Crenshaw?

10 A Yes.

11 Q What was the basis for the personal knowledge  
12 of Dr. Crenshaw as you understood it?

13 MR. BABCOCK: In answering this be careful not to  
14 respond in such a way that it would tend to reveal the  
15 identity of the source.

16 THE WITNESS: Their personal observations.

17 BY MR. KIZZIA:

18 Q Of what?

19 A Of Dr. Crenshaw.

20 Q At Parkland Hospital in 1963?

21 A I decline to answer so as not to potentially  
22 reveal my confidential sources.

23 Q Did all of your confidential sources have  
24 personal knowledge of Dr. Crenshaw?



1 A No.

2 Q Did all of your confidential sources have  
3 personal knowledge of the JFK case?

4 A No.

5 Q How many of your confidential sources had  
6 personal knowledge of Dr. Crenshaw?

7 A More than one and fewer than six, and I can't  
8 be more specific.

9 Q Did you receive any information about  
10 Dr. Crenshaw from any confidential source other than  
11 pertaining to his book?

12 A Yes.

13 Q What information did you receive from  
14 confidential sources about Dr. Crenshaw other than his  
15 book?

16 A I heard he was sick.

17 Q In what way sick?

18 A Some form of thinking or behavior abnormality.

19 Q Can you be more specific than that?

20 A Only by hearsay.

21 Q Well, you talked about generally based on  
22 hearsay. You are talking about what somebody told you,  
23 right?

24 A I've been testifying to what somebody told me.

1 Q Because you yourself have never met  
2 Dr. Crenshaw?

3 A That is true.

4 Q Have you ever reviewed any of his medical  
5 records?

6 A No.

7 Q So you don't based upon your own personal  
8 knowledge know anything about Dr. Crenshaw's medical  
9 condition; is that right?

10 A That is right.

11 Q But you said that somebody told you that he had  
12 some sort of abnormality; is that right?

13 MR. BABCOCK: He said behavior abnormality.

14 BY MR. KIZZIA:

15 Q Is that what you were told?

16 A Some sort of abnormality, yes.

17 Q Can you be more specific about what you were  
18 told about that?

19 A That he may have had a stroke, that he may not  
20 be functioning very well.

21 Q Now is this something that you were told prior  
22 to the press conference on May 19th, 1992?

23 A Yes.

24 Q Dr. Lundberg, last Tuesday during your

1 deposition I asked you what information you had about  
2 Dr. Crenshaw prior to your delivering your remarks at  
3 the press conference on May 19th, 1992, and you didn't  
4 mention this.

5 In fact, you didn't mention any of your  
6 confidential sources. Why is that?

7 MR. BABCOCK: Now wait a minute. Brad, that was a  
8 long deposition, and I don't remember that question.  
9 You may very well have asked it, but let's not get into  
10 comparing the deposition last week. He's telling you  
11 about it.

12 MR. KIZZIA: If it is his testimony that he doesn't  
13 think he was asked that question, then fine. But if he  
14 knows that he was asked that question or questions along  
15 those lines and he withheld this information, I'm  
16 entitled to know why.

17 MR. BABCOCK: Ask him if he withheld any information  
18 from you last week.

19 BY MR. KIZZIA:

20 Q Do you remember questions along those lines at  
21 your deposition last week, Dr. Lundberg?

22 MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question,  
23 along those lines. It's unprecise.

24 THE WITNESS: Should I answer that?

1 MR. BABCOCK: Yeah, if you can remember.

2 THE WITNESS: I remember no questions about  
3 confidential sources or confidential information except  
4 our discussion or questions that made it clear that our  
5 ethics did provide for confidentiality of sources and  
6 information.

7 BY MR. KIZZIA:

8 Q Do you remember questions about what  
9 information you had about Dr. Crenshaw prior to the  
10 press conference on May 19th, 1992?

11 A Vaguely.

12 Q Did you intend to withhold at that time the  
13 information that you now say you obtained from  
14 confidential sources about Dr. Crenshaw?

15 MR. BABCOCK: I'm going to object to this question,  
16 Brad. Look, your questions are skillfully framed and  
17 the witness has been very carefully in trying to respond  
18 to the precise question.

19 I don't remember that you asked him a  
20 question last time that called for him to respond in the  
21 way that you suggest and to even ask a question to  
22 suggest that he was withholding evidence I don't think  
23 is fair based upon your recollection of some questions  
24 that you may have asked him.

1                   I guess I'll let him answer it, but I  
2 really do object. I'm not going to let him answer much  
3 more about this comparing today's answers versus last  
4 week's answers.

5                   So I think you can answer whether you  
6 intended to withhold any information, but I'm going to  
7 object for the record very strenuously the implications  
8 of the question. Okay.

9           THE WITNESS: There is no intent, was no intent to  
10 withhold information, but rather to be specifically  
11 responsive to questions while preserving confidentiality  
12 as is ethically required and legally supported.

13 BY MR. KIZZIA:

14           Q       Was it your understanding that the information  
15 that you say that you were told about Dr. Crenshaw's  
16 health was based upon the personal knowledge of the  
17 confidential source?

18           A       Yes.

19           Q       Why is that source confidential?

20           A       Author/editor reviewer/editor relationships in  
21 our system of ethical behavior are confidential between  
22 those people and not to be shared with others.

23           Q       Well, did this person ask to be -- ask to  
24 remain confidential?



1 A That was my understanding.

2 Q Based upon what?

3 A Conversation.

4 Q With regard to the other confidential sources  
5 that you refer to did each of those persons ask that  
6 they remain confidential?

7 THE WITNESS: Time.

8 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Audio off, 11:16.

9 (Discussion held off the record.)

10 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Audio back, 11:16 a.m.

11 THE WITNESS: Yes.

12 BY MR. KIZZIA:

13 Q Is it JAMA's policy to grant confidentiality to  
14 any source of information that requests it?

15 MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.

16 Go ahead and answer it.

17 THE WITNESS: No, not necessarily.

18 BY MR. KIZZIA:

19 Q Why was confidentiality granted to these  
20 particular sources?

21 A Because they requested it and because we honor  
22 that request.

23 Q Well, you said that JAMA doesn't always honor  
24 such requests; is that right?

1           A       That is true.

2           Q       In what circumstances or under what set of  
3 facts would JAMA not honor such requests for  
4 confidentiality?

5           MR. BABCOCK: Are you asking to speculate about  
6 something in the future?

7           MR. KIZZIA: No. I'm asking him to elaborate on the  
8 types of situations where in the past they have not  
9 honored a request for confidentiality.

10          MR. BABCOCK: If he's aware of any such instances he  
11 can answer.

12                         Don't speculate about the future.

13          THE WITNESS: We have made mistakes in which  
14 information was provided by secretarial error or a  
15 clerical error of some kind and thereby breaching  
16 confidentiality.

17 BY MR. KIZZIA:

18          Q       Have there ever been any circumstances or cases  
19 where a source of information asked to remain  
20 confidential yet you or some other representative of  
21 JAMA decided not to grant the request of  
22 confidentiality?

23          A       Yes.

24          Q       Under what circumstances would that occur?



1 Q Had you met all of your confidential sources  
2 face-to-face before you received the information from  
3 them?

4 A No.

5 Q With regard to the confidential source who told  
6 you that Dr. Crenshaw had some medical abnormality, did  
7 you know that person before you had that telephone  
8 conversation?

9 THE WITNESS: Time.

10 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Audio off, 11:22.

11 (Discussion held off the record.)

12 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Back on, 11:22 a.m.

13 THE WITNESS: The question was in the singular. I  
14 can't answer it accurately. There was more than one  
15 person.

16 BY MR. KIZZIA:

17 Q How many persons?

18 A More than one and fewer than ten.

19 Q Can you be any more specific than that?

20 A Fewer than six.

21 Q Can you be any more specific than that?

22 A No.

23 Q Did you know or had you met personally all of  
24 the persons who you say shared that information with you

1 over the telephone?

2 A Yes.

3 Q When you refer to these persons as confidential  
4 sources, is that because they asked you to keep their  
5 identities confidential?

6 A Yes.

7 Q Did any of these persons ask you to keep the  
8 information that they provided to you confidential?

9 A Yes and no.

10 Q Please explain your answer.

11 A Some parts yes and other parts no.

12 Q Was any of the information provided to you  
13 which you were asked to keep confidential utilized in  
14 writing Mr. Breo's articles of May 27th, 1992?

15 A Not to my knowledge.

16 Q Did you pass that information on to Mr. Breo,  
17 any information that you were asked to keep  
18 confidential?

19 A I don't recall.

20 Q Did you disclose to Mr. Breo the identity of  
21 any of your confidential sources?

22 A Yes.

23 Q Did you disclose the identity of all of your  
24 confidential sources?



1           A     No.

2           Q     Why did you keep some confidential personally  
3 and some you shared with Mr. Breo?

4           A     I provided him what I thought he needed to know  
5 of such confidential nature and withheld things I felt  
6 he did not need to know.

7           Q     Why did you think that Mr. Breo would need to  
8 know the identity of some confidential sources and not  
9 others?

10          A     I thought it would aid him in his study to have  
11 that information.

12          Q     How would it aid him or why did you think it  
13 would aid him?

14          A     Perhaps he could talk to the person if he  
15 needed to.

16          Q     Do you know whether or not he did, whether or  
17 not Mr. Breo followed up and talked to any of your  
18 confidential sources?

19          A     I don't know.

20          Q     Did you disclose the identity of any of your  
21 confidential sources to anyone other than Mr. Breo?

22          A     I may have. I don't recall for sure.

23          Q     What makes you think that you may have?

24          A     Dr. Glass and I worked closely together in the

1 editing process and Dr. Glass and I work together every  
2 day on all manner of confidentiality material.

3 We frequently share confidential  
4 information in confidence. It would have made sense to  
5 have shared some of this with him, but I don't recall  
6 exactly.

7 Q Other than Dr. Glass do you think that you may  
8 have revealed or disclosed the identities of any of your  
9 confidential sources?

10 A Yes.

11 Q To whom else may you have disclosed your  
12 confidential sources or revealed the identities of your  
13 confidential sources?

14 A To legal counsel.

15 Q Anyone else?

16 A Not that I can recall.

17 Q You said that you were told that Dr. Crenshaw  
18 may not be functioning well because he may have had a  
19 stroke; is that right?

20 A That is true.

21 MR. BABCOCK: He didn't say that. He was quoting  
22 others as saying that.

23 MR. KIZZIA: Right.

24

1 BY MR. KIZZIA:

2 Q You were told that?

3 A I was told that.

4 Q When you -- What was your understanding as to  
5 what was meant by not functioning well? Physically,  
6 mentally or what?

7 A I was told that he was not functioning well  
8 medically, mentally, physically and in terms of his job.

9 Q What job was that?

10 A Surgeon.

11 Q What was your understanding at that time as to  
12 where Dr. Crenshaw was working?

13 A I don't know, but the implication from my  
14 sources was that perhaps he was not working at all. But  
15 I don't know that.

16 Q Will you reveal any of your confidential  
17 sources today?

18 MR. BABCOCK: No, he won't.

19 BY MR. KIZZIA:

20 Q Is that your answer?

21 A No, Mr. Kizzia, I will not.

22 Q As editor in chief for JAMA do you have a boss?

23 A Yes.

24 Q Who is your boss?

1 A My supervisor is Mr. Larry Joyce.

2 Q Who is Mr. Joyce or what is his position?

3 A He's senior vice president for communication  
4 and publishing of the American Medical Association.

5 Q How long has he been in that capacity or been  
6 in that position?

7 A Three or four years.

8 Q By the way, have you ever been deposed before?

9 MR. BABCOCK: The question has been asked and  
10 answered.

11 MR. KIZZIA: I don't think so. Believe it or not I  
12 don't think I actually asked that question.

13 THE WITNESS: Yes.

14 BY MR. KIZZIA:

15 Q How many times?

16 A Many, but I don't recall how many.

17 Q Have you ever been deposed in a case involving  
18 allegations of defamation against JAMA?

19 A No.

20 Q How about any case involving allegations of  
21 defamation against any other AMA publication?

22 A No.

23 Q I believe that you said that you did not know  
24 the purpose of the press conference on May 19th, 1992;

1 is that right?

2 MR. BABCOCK: You asked him in his prior deposition.  
3 If it's a predicate to another question?

4 MR. KIZZIA: It is.

5 MR. BABCOCK: Okay.

6 BY MR. KIZZIA:

7 Q Did any representative of the AMA or JAMA tell  
8 you what the purpose of the press conference was?

9 THE WITNESS: Time out.

10 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Audio off, 11:33.

11 (Discussion held off the record.)

12 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Back on, 11:33.

13 THE WITNESS: I don't recall.

14 BY MR. KIZZIA:

15 Q Did you think that the press conference or the  
16 idea of a press conference was a good idea?

17 A Yes.

18 Q Why did you think it was a good idea?

19 A Because of the regular embargo system of the  
20 AMA.

21 Q What is the regular embargo system of the AMA?

22 A All articles published in JAMA and our  
23 specialty journals are by ethical gentlemen's agreement  
24 considered embargoed by the public media until a



1 specific time agreed to between the publisher and  
2 the media.

3           At that moment in time which for JAMA is  
4 middle afternoon on Tuesday each week, at that time the  
5 information can be provided to the public at large by  
6 public media.

7           Prior to that time it may not be. It must  
8 be kept secret or embargoed until the prearranged time  
9 of publication.

10           That prearranged time routinely is for  
11 JAMA, as I said, Tuesday afternoon for a Wednesday  
12 publication date.

13           The public media voluntarily adhered to  
14 this concept of embargoes almost always although there  
15 are no laws or rules to make them do so.

16           Occasionally some article in the Journal  
17 has something about it which causes the press relations  
18 people here to believe that the embargo should be  
19 altered for date or changed.

20           When that occurs, such an embargo change  
21 is accomplished. It is my understanding that it was the  
22 opinion of the communications people, the professionals  
23 in that area here at AMA that an embargo date change for  
24 Mr. Breo's two articles would be appropriate because

1 they felt that the public media would not adhere to the  
2 embargo system for those articles as it normally would  
3 for scientific articles.

4           So it's my understanding they decided to  
5 set a different embargo date concurrent with a press  
6 conference so as to be fair to all media rather than  
7 unfair to all who would obey the embargo when those who  
8 wouldn't obey it would run with the information.

9           I thought that was a good idea because  
10 among the principal purposes of the embargo system is  
11 fairness to all members of the public media and fairness  
12 to the public through that process.

13           Q     Is it the normal embargo policy of AMA that the  
14 media or information regarding JAMA articles is not  
15 released to the media for publication until the articles  
16 are published in JAMA?

17           A     No.

18           Q     Did you say that JAMA editions are published on  
19 Wednesdays?

20           A     Yes.

21           Q     Did you say that generally speaking the AMA  
22 policy is that the information is not released to the  
23 media for publication concerning articles until Tuesday  
24 afternoon before publication?

1           A       I did not say that.

2           Q       What was it that you said about Tuesday  
3 afternoon prior to Wednesday publication?

4           A       I said that the AMA establishes an embargo date  
5 and time for all of its publications. For JAMA that is  
6 usually Tuesday afternoon.

7           Q       Before publication on Wednesday?

8           A       Well, yes and no because when you use the term  
9 published, one might be confused by the question of  
10 whether published means printed and bound and  
11 distributed or whether published means the date on the  
12 cover.

13                         It may mean either. The cover date is the  
14 official publication date, but the printing, binding and  
15 mailing is accomplished many days in advance of the date  
16 on the cover.

17           Q       When are JAMA issues distributed to its  
18 subscribers?

19           A       The day they're printed, bound and addressed,  
20 generally eight days or so prior to the date on the  
21 cover.

22           Q       Did you know anything about Gary Shaw before  
23 making your remarks at the press conference on May 19th,  
24 1992?

1           A     No.

2           Q     Did you obtain any information about him from  
3 your confidential sources?

4           A     No.

5           Q     Did you try to find out anything about him  
6 prior to your remarks at the press conference on May  
7 19th, 1992?

8           A     No.

9           Q     Why not?

10          A     I can't really say why not. Dr. Crenshaw  
11 seemed to be the principal author. The problems with  
12 the book seemed to be medical scientific problems.

13                     Dr. Crenshaw was a physician. I didn't  
14 know what Mr. Shaw's role had been, but I did not know  
15 him to be a physician.

16                     I saw neither M.D., Ph.D. nor other  
17 graduate degree attached to his name, so I believe that  
18 the medical forensic scientific aspects of the book  
19 would have been Dr. Crenshaw's responsibility.

20          Q     Did any of the confidential sources that you  
21 relied upon tell you that Dr. Crenshaw was not on the  
22 trauma team that was involved in the effort to save  
23 President Kennedy in trauma room one at Parkland  
24 Hospital on November 22nd, 1963?

1           A     No.

2           Q     Do you know whether or not any surgical  
3 procedures were performed at Parkland Hospital on  
4 President Kennedy on November 22nd, 1963?

5           MR. BABCOCK: You mean personal knowledge or stuff  
6 he's read?

7 BY MR. KIZZIA:

8           Q     Obviously you don't have personal knowledge.  
9 You weren't there, right?

10          A     I was not there, right.

11          Q     So you don't have personal knowledge as to what  
12 was done?

13          A     That is true.

14          Q     Do you have any information to indicate or are  
15 you aware of any information to indicate that any  
16 surgical procedures were performed on President Kennedy  
17 at Parkland Hospital on November 22nd, 1963?

18          A     Yes.

19          Q     What information do you have?

20          A     The information I have from multiple sources is  
21 that a tracheostomy was performed, cut downs into veins  
22 to provide a port for blood or fluids were performed,  
23 artificial respiration of a sort was performed, and  
24 there were efforts to put tubes into his chest cavities.



1 Q Would you describe any of those procedures as  
2 major surgical procedures?

3 A Yes.

4 Q Would you describe all of them as major  
5 surgical procedures?

6 A No.

7 Q Which ones would you describe as major surgical  
8 procedures?

9 A Tracheostomy, efforts to place tubes into the  
10 chest. Whether the method of ventilation and the cut  
11 downs would be called major or minor depends upon your  
12 point of view.

13 Q What do you mean?

14 A I suspect if Mr. Kizzia were having this done  
15 to him at this moment he would think it was quite major.

16 Q Was a public relations agency used to  
17 distribute press releases or other information  
18 concerning the May 27th, 1992, JAMA articles on the JFK  
19 case?

20 MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question,  
21 other information.

22 THE WITNESS: I don't know.

23 BY MR. KIZZIA:

24 Q Do you know whether or not JAMA or the AMA

1 utilizes from time to time a public relations agency to  
2 distribute press releases about JAMA articles?

3 A I don't know.

4 MR. KIZZIA: Let's go off the record for a minute.

5 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Camera stopped.

6 (Discussion held off the record.)

7 (Recess had.)

8 (Resuming at 1:00 p.m.)

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No. 73-93

CHARLES CRENSHAW, M.D.	)	IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF
and GARY SHAW,	)	
	)	JOHNSON COUNTY, TEXAS
vs.	)	
	)	
LAWRENCE SUTHERLAND,	)	
GEORGE LUNDBERG, DENNIS	)	
BREO, THE AMERICAN MEDICAL	)	
ASSOCIATION D/B/A JOURNAL	)	
OF AMERICAN MEDICAL	)	
ASSOCIATION, THE DALLAS	)	
MORNING NEWS AND DAVID W.	)	
BELIN	)	

December 28, 1993

1:00 p.m.

The video deposition of GEORGE LUNDBERG, M.D., resumed pursuant to adjournment at Suite 1400, 515 North State Street, Chicago, Illinois.

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REPORTED BY: KAREN L. PILEGGI, C.S.R.

1 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: We are back on the record. The  
2 time is approximately 1:03 p.m.

3 BY MR. KIZZIA:

4 Q Dr. Lundberg, did anyone put you in touch with  
5 any of your confidential sources concerning Dr. Crenshaw  
6 or his book?

7 A No.

8 Q There was no intermediary or go between between  
9 you and your confidential sources?

10 A May I consult with counsel?

11 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Audio off, 1:03.

12 (Discussion held off the record.)

13 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Audio back on, 1:04.

14 THE WITNESS: No.

15 BY MR. KIZZIA:

16 Q Did anyone suggest that you contact any of your  
17 confidential sources?

18 A No.

19 Q Did anyone provide you with the name or names  
20 of the confidential sources?

21 A No.

22 Q Was the first time that you learned of  
23 Dr. Crenshaw's book when you were in Florida  
24 participating in the discussions with Drs. Humes



1 and Boswell?

2 A I'm not sure.

3 Q Do you have any reason to believe that you were  
4 aware of Dr. Crenshaw's book prior to the time that you  
5 were in Florida having your discussions with Drs. Humes  
6 and Boswell?

7 A Not that I recall.

8 Q After you learned of Dr. Crenshaw's book did  
9 you set about contacting people looking for sources of  
10 information on Dr. Crenshaw and/or his book?

11 A No.

12 Q Why did you contact your confidential sources?

13 A May I consult with counsel?

14 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Audio off, 1:06.

15 (Discussion held off the record.)

16 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Audio back on, 1:06.

17 THE WITNESS: I contacted sources to get background  
18 information to help us in our study.

19 BY MR. KIZZIA:

20 Q Background information on what?

21 A Any information that might be helpful in  
22 studying the situation of the autopsies.

23 Q Did you contact any of your confidential  
24 sources with a specific purpose of obtaining information

1 on Dr. Crenshaw or his book?

2 A No.

3 Q Are you saying then that during your  
4 conversations with your confidential sources about  
5 matters relevant to the JFK autopsy, the subject of  
6 Dr. Crenshaw or his book just came up?

7 A Yes.

8 Q Was that something that you brought up?

9 A No.

10 Q It was something that your confidential sources  
11 brought up?

12 A Yes.

13 Q Were your confidential sources completely  
14 confidential sources or were they confidential sources  
15 only with regard to part of the information that they  
16 provided to you?

17 A I've answered that question when phrased a  
18 different way. I don't believe I wish to change my  
19 answer unless you wish to ask the question in a way that  
20 I can answer unambiguously.

21 Q Well, you said that you contacted your  
22 confidential sources to discuss matters pertaining to  
23 the JFK autopsy; is that correct?

24 A Yes and no.

1 MR. BABCOCK: It's not exactly what he said, but  
2 generally.

3 BY MR. KIZZIA:

4 Q Could you explain what you mean by yes and no?

5 A The process of which I'll have to rephrase the  
6 question myself.

7 Q Okay.

8 MR. BABCOCK: Sure.

9 THE WITNESS: Communication may be uni or  
10 bidirectional. And when you say I contacted a source,  
11 the implication is that I personally contacted rather  
12 than I was contacted by a source, and this is muddying  
13 up the questions.

14 BY MR. KIZZIA:

15 Q Are you saying then that sometimes you  
16 contacted the confidential sources and in some cases you  
17 were contacted by your confidential sources?

18 A That is correct.

19 Q Let's focus on the occasions that you contacted  
20 your confidential sources. Did you do so with the  
21 purpose of obtaining information regarding Dr. Crenshaw  
22 or his book?

23 A Not specifically.

24 Q Did you do so to obtain information relevant to

1 the JFK autopsy?

2 A Yes.

3 Q Were such confidential sources confidential as  
4 to anything they discussed with you pertaining to the  
5 JFK autopsy or were they confidential sources solely as  
6 to what information they related to you concerning  
7 Dr. Crenshaw or his book?

8 A Anything.

9 Q And that was your understanding at the outset  
10 of your conversations with such sources?

11 A That is correct.

12 Q With regard to those sources who contacted you,  
13 did they provide you information pertaining to the JFK  
14 autopsy that had nothing to do with Dr. Crenshaw or his  
15 book?

16 A Yes.

17 Q Was such information expected to be  
18 confidential, such other information. I'm talking about  
19 information other than that which pertained to  
20 Dr. Crenshaw's book?

21 A Yes.

22 Q How did such persons or such sources know to  
23 contact you?

24 MR. BABCOCK: Objection, calls for speculation as to

1 what they might know.

2 BY MR. KIZZIA:

3 Q Dr. Lundberg, was it common knowledge --

4 MR. BABCOCK: That's going to draw an objection,  
5 too.

6 BY MR. KIZZIA:

7 Q I'm asking what you know now. Do you know  
8 whether or not it was common knowledge among people in  
9 the American Medical Association that JAMA was going to  
10 publish articles pertaining to the JFK assassination in  
11 1992?

12 MR. BABCOCK: Objection, calls for speculation.

13 THE WITNESS: I don't know what counsel means by  
14 common knowledge.

15 BY MR. KIZZIA:

16 Q Do you know how sources who contacted you came  
17 to know that JAMA was working on articles in 1992  
18 pertaining to the JFK assassination?

19 MR. BABCOCK: Objection to the form of the question.  
20 It assumes they did.

21 Go ahead and answer if you can.

22 THE WITNESS: Yes, I know.

23 BY MR. KIZZIA:

24 Q How do you know?



1           A       I will not say because that would disclose --  
2 that would threaten the confidentiality relationship.

3           Q       How would that threaten the confidential  
4 relationship?

5           A       It might be possible to sift through  
6 relationships and ways to know that that could come at  
7 who the person or persons might have been, and I can't  
8 take that chance.

9           Q       When you were contacted by sources that you are  
10 relying upon as confidential sources, do you know  
11 whether or not the sources who contacted you knew that  
12 you and/or JAMA were working on articles pertaining to  
13 the JFK assassination?

14          A       Yes.

15          Q       Did such sources know?

16          A       Yes and no.

17          Q       Please explain your answer.

18          A       Some did and some didn't.

19          Q       And you do know how those who did know about  
20 the articles came to know about it?

21          A       Yes.

22          Q       But you are not willing to say how they came to  
23 know about it?

24          A       That is correct.

1 Q All right.

2 What was your understanding as to the  
3 reasons why you were contacted by persons who didn't  
4 know that JAMA was working on articles pertaining to the  
5 JFK assassination?

6 A I don't know.

7 Q You mean you just received calls out of the  
8 blue from certain people?

9 A Yes.

10 Q Did your communications with your confidential  
11 sources and your passing on of that information to  
12 Mr. Breo occur prior to the time that Mr. Breo wrote the  
13 two JAMA articles that were published on May 27th, 1992?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Do you have any reason to believe that Mr. Breo  
16 disclosed any of your confidential sources to anyone?

17 A I don't know.

18 Q Do you have any reason to believe that any  
19 other representative of JAMA may have disclosed any of  
20 your confidential sources to anyone?

21 MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.

22 THE WITNESS: I don't know.

23 BY MR. KIZZIA:

24 Q Did you receive any of your information from

1 your confidential sources prior to the time that you met  
2 with Dr. Boswell and Dr. Humes in Florida in April of  
3 1992?

4 MR. BABCOCK: That question has been asked and  
5 answered.

6 Go ahead.

7 THE WITNESS: The question precisely as stated and  
8 the answer is yes.

9 BY MR. KIZZIA:

10 Q Did you disclose your confidential sources or  
11 any of your confidential sources to Dr. Humes or  
12 Dr. Boswell?

13 A No.

14 Q Did you personally speak with any of the other  
15 physicians that Mr. Breo interviewed for his articles  
16 that were published in JAMA on May 27th, 1992?

17 MR. BABCOCK: What do you mean? Do you mean the  
18 Dallas physicians or any of them? He was in Florida for  
19 them.

20 MR. KIZZIA: I'm sorry?

21 MR. BABCOCK: He was in Florida.

22 MR. KIZZIA: Right. I didn't limit it to any city.

23 BY MR. KIZZIA:

24 Q The articles that were published in JAMA on May

1 27th, 1992 that were written by Mr. Breo refer to his  
2 interviews with Dr. Humes, Dr. Boswell, Dr. Carrico,  
3 Dr. Jenkins, Dr. Baxter, Dr. McClelland, Dr. Rose --

4 MR. BABCOCK: A bunch of doctors.

5 BY MR. KIZZIA:

6 Q Can you remember any others off the top of your  
7 head?

8 A No.

9 Q Did you personally interview or take part in  
10 any of the interviews other than the interviews with  
11 Dr. Boswell and Dr. Humes?

12 A I did not.

13 Q Did you speak with any of those doctors who are  
14 identified in the articles as having been interviewed by  
15 Mr. Breo?

16 A When? In my life? For that presentation?

17 MR. BABCOCK: I think he's excluding Boswell and  
18 Humes.

19 MR. KIZZIA: Right.

20 THE WITNESS: I know. But my question remains. Did  
21 I speak is open ended. In my lifetime? In their  
22 lifetime? In preparation for that article? When?  
23 Ever?

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1 BY MR. KIZZIA:

2 Q All right. Let's start with in preparation for  
3 the articles. Did you speak with any of those doctors  
4 other than Dr. Humes and Dr. Boswell?

5 A Yes.

6 Q Which doctors did you speak to?

7 A Dr. Rose.

8 Q Did you speak with any of the other doctors who  
9 Mr. Breo mentions in his articles as having been  
10 interviewed by him other than Dr. Boswell, Dr. Humes and  
11 Dr. Rose?

12 A No, assuming your question still applies to in  
13 preparation for that article.

14 Q Right.

15 Since January 1st, 1992, have you spoken  
16 with any of the physicians mentioned in the two articles  
17 published in JAMA on May 27th, 1992, that were written  
18 by Mr. Breo and which he states in the articles that he  
19 interviewed other than Dr. Humes, Dr. Boswell and  
20 Dr. Rose?

21 A No.

22 Q Did you disclose any of your confidential  
23 sources to Dr. Rose?

24 A No.



1           Q       What is your understanding of the purpose of  
2 the AMA's media embargo policy regarding release of  
3 information concerning JAMA articles?

4           A       The first purpose is to be fair to all media  
5 people so that all press have an equal chance to report  
6 on articles from JAMA to the public. With a common  
7 embargo date no one can get a jump in their reporting on  
8 the articles.

9                         The second is to provide the public media  
10 whenever possible with time to study the articles and to  
11 write -- to do additional interviews if needed and to  
12 write responsible articles as accurately as possible for  
13 the public based upon what they read in our Journal.

14          Q       You mean before the articles are actually  
15 published in JAMA?

16          A       Before the date on the cover.

17                         So the main purpose is to -- And third, to  
18 not produce any level of favoritism on the part of the  
19 publisher or the editor or authors for one media versus  
20 any other which could occur if there were not an embargo  
21 date.

22                         Those are the three main reasons.  
23 Embargoes go back at least to the war between the  
24 states. They may even go back to Napoleonic wars.

1 It's a common process, and we simply apply the  
2 traditional embargo approach to our articles.

3 Q Is one of the purposes for the media embargo  
4 policy to allow an opportunity for JAMA subscribers to  
5 read JAMA articles before the press or the media does  
6 stories on them?

7 A That is not the purpose of the embargo, but  
8 that is the reason for us binding and mailing the  
9 Journal so many days in advance of the embargo so that  
10 doctors have a chance to have the Journal and generally  
11 do have the Journal available to them to read before  
12 their patients see the same articles reported in the  
13 public media so when the patients come to the doctor the  
14 next day or call him on the phone about their disease or  
15 their treatment, if there's something in the Journal  
16 that's different from that, the doctor has a chance to  
17 see the full article and respond to the patient rather  
18 than be confused. But that's not the embargo. That's  
19 the mailing date.

20 Q How was the AMA media embargo policy altered if  
21 it was with regard to the two articles written by  
22 Mr. Breo that were published in JAMA on May 27th, 1992?

23 A The embargo time was altered and moved up by  
24 telling all the media that there was a change in the

1 embargo date and that it would be a specific date or  
2 time which was a Tuesday concurrent with the press  
3 conference in New York rather than a later time which  
4 would have been the normal time for that issue of JAMA.

5 Q So the result was that the media received  
6 information concerning the articles and could report  
7 concerning the articles before subscribers to JAMA  
8 received the articles?

9 A The date that was set was the same day as the  
10 general mailing. We don't know when subscribers receive  
11 the Journal, but some receive it very quickly, for some  
12 its longer.

13 And the press conference was set at the  
14 date of the approximate mailing within a day or so of  
15 the mailing rather than waiting for a week and a half  
16 for the usual embargo time.

17 Q But in this particular case then in all  
18 likelihood there were reports in the media about the  
19 press conference that occurred on May 19th, 1992, before  
20 some of the subscribers to JAMA received the articles?

21 A That is true.

22 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Going off the record. This is  
23 the end of tape one, December 28th. The time is 1:24  
24 p.m.

1 MR. BABCOCK: Pursuant to a supplemental notice to  
2 take the videotaped deposition of Dr. George Lundberg  
3 dated December 21, 1993, in which my client received on  
4 the 23rd of December we are producing certain documents  
5 identified as follows: A document called, "Instructions  
6 For Authors" dated January 1, 1992, which is seven pages  
7 long; a document entitled, "Instructions For Authors"  
8 dated July 1, 1992, which is seven pages; a document  
9 entitled, "Instructions For Authors" dated January 6th  
10 1993, which is seven pages long; a document entitled,  
11 "Instructions For Authors" dated July 7, 1993, which is  
12 seven pages long; a set of mostly -- Well, I won't say  
13 mostly. Of handwritten and typewritten notes consisting  
14 of 15 pages; a single document which is page 84 out of  
15 the American Medical Association Manual of Style, the  
16 eighth edition.

17 MR. KIZZIA: Wayne, would there be any problem with  
18 making a copy of the cover of that? Is that a good  
19 idea, Chip?

20 MR. BABCOCK: Sure.

21 Off the record for a second.

22 (Discussion held off the record.)

23 MR. BABCOCK: Back on the record.

24 A single document with the heading,



1 "Letters" dated December 15th, 1993; another document,  
2 single document, entitled "Letters" dated October 21,  
3 1992; and another single document labeled "Letters"  
4 dated January 1, 1992; and then an original document  
5 called, "Uniform Requirements For Manuscripts Submitted  
6 To Biomedical Journals And Supplemental Statements From  
7 the International Committee of Medical Journal Editors,  
8 1993."

9                   And we don't have a copy of this, Brad,  
10 but you are welcome to look at it today. And then the  
11 manual of style that is also an original document that  
12 you are welcome to look at.

13           MR. KIZZIA: Would you mind if we allowed this  
14 original document that's entitled, "Uniform Requirements  
15 For Manuscripts Submitted To Biomedical Journals" to go  
16 with the court reporter today for the purpose of copying  
17 and with the understanding that the original will be  
18 returned to you?

19           MR. BABCOCK: It's okay with me if it's all right  
20 with the witness.

21           THE WITNESS: I have no objection.

22           MR. BABCOCK: All right. That's fine.

23           MR. KIZZIA: Can we proceed then?

24           MR. BABCOCK: Yeah.



1 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: We're back on the record. This  
2 is the beginning of tape two on December 28th. The time  
3 is 1:31 p.m.

4 BY MR. KIZZIA:

5 Q Dr. Lundberg, during our break your counsel  
6 produced to me some copies of some documents, but before  
7 getting to those documents I just wanted to finish up on  
8 one train of thought that I had, and that is, you said  
9 that in this particular case it is likely that members  
10 of the AMA or subscribers to JAMA may have seen comments  
11 in the media about the May 27th, 1992, JAMA articles  
12 that were written by Mr. Breo before such physicians  
13 actually got their copies of the JAMA articles.

14 And my question for you is why was that  
15 allowed to happen in this particular case?

16 A The reason for the mailing date prior to the  
17 embargo date was, as I explained earlier, so that  
18 patients who were under the care of doctors for given  
19 diseases will not have a confusion between the doctor  
20 and patients about their disease and its treatment  
21 produced by research reports in the lay literature based  
22 upon articles in our Journal without the doctor having  
23 the full information from the Journal article.

24 There's nothing in the two Breo articles

1 that has anything whatever to do with how doctors are  
2 taking care of patients on a day-to-day basis, so it was  
3 irrelevant from the standpoint of protecting doctors and  
4 their patients from confusion or mistreatment for there  
5 to be such a gap time.

6 Q Any other reason that the normal approach  
7 wasn't taken in this particular case?

8 A Yes.

9 Q Please elaborate.

10 A It was believed I am told by the communication  
11 group that because of the nature of the public figure of  
12 the president and the nature of the information within  
13 the articles written by Mr. Breo that public media would  
14 probably almost certainly fail to honor the embargo and  
15 some newspaper, magazine, wire service, radio or  
16 television reporter would report on the content of the  
17 Breo articles as soon as they were received.

18 And when one media person breaks the  
19 embargo, it puts great pressure on the entire system,  
20 and it goes like a flock of dominoes which causes great  
21 confusion and consternation.

22 So the professionals handling it in their  
23 good judgment believe that the embargo would fail to  
24 stand so they chose to release it to all the media at

1 the same time at a press conference with the embargo  
2 release at that time to be fair to all media. And since  
3 there was no patient care concern it was felt nothing  
4 would be hurt.

5 Q Dr. Lundberg, I'll hand you what I have marked  
6 for identification purposes Exhibit 48 and ask you if  
7 you can identify that document?

8 A Exhibit 48 is instructions for authors dated  
9 January 1, 1992, from the Journal of the American  
10 Medical Association, volume 267, number one, page 41.

11 Q Let me show you what I've had marked for  
12 identification purposes Exhibit 49.

13 Can you identify that document for me?

14 A It is instructions for authors from JAMA July  
15 1, 1992, volume 268, number one beginning on page 41.

16 Q Were the instructions for authors revised  
17 between January 1st, 1992, and July 1st, 1992?

18 A I don't know.

19 Q Do you know whether or not the instructions for  
20 authors that is shown in Exhibit 49 is different in any  
21 respect from the instructions to authors that is shown  
22 in Exhibit 48?

23 A I don't know. I'd have to compare them side by  
24 side. I don't have that in my memory.

1 Q Let me show you what I've had marked for  
2 identification purposes as Exhibit 50.

3 Can you identify that document for me?

4 A Exhibit 50 is instructions for authors, JAMA,  
5 January 6, 1993, volume 269 beginning on page 152.

6 Q Do you know whether or not the instructions for  
7 authors that is marked as Exhibit 50 which was published  
8 in JAMA on January 6, 1993, is different in any respect  
9 from the instructions for authors that were previously  
10 published and which were marked as Exhibits 48 and 49?

11 A I do not.

12 Q Let me show you what I've had marked for  
13 identification purposes Exhibit 51.

14 Can you identify that document for me?

15 A Exhibit 51 is instructions for authors for JAMA  
16 , July 7, 1993, volume 270 number one beginning on page  
17 33.

18 Q Dr. Lundberg, do you know whether or not the  
19 instructions for authors that was published in JAMA on  
20 July 7th, 1993, is different in any respect from the  
21 instructions for authors that were previously published  
22 in JAMA which are shown in Exhibits 48, 49 and 50?

23 A I do not.

24 Q Did you participate in preparation of the



1 instructions for authors for JAMA?

2 A Yes.

3 Q What was your participation?

4 A Number one, to decide that they would exist.

5 Number two, to decide that they would be  
6 published once each volume of the Journal in an early  
7 time in that volume.

8 Number three, that they consist of  
9 sections that deal with major issues and what those  
10 sections are.

11 Number four, that highly competent  
12 qualified editors on my staff would write them, rewrite  
13 them, revise them as needed and republish them as  
14 needed.

15 Fifth, that I would review final copy and  
16 make questions or changes as needed prior to final  
17 publication.

18 Q Did you participate in the drafting of the  
19 particular instructions for authors that are shown in  
20 Exhibits 48, 49, 50, and 51?

21 A No.

22 Q Did you participate in any revisions that may  
23 have been made to the instructions for authors that are  
24 shown in Exhibits 48, 49, 50 and 51?



1 A Yes.

2 Q What was your participation?

3 A Approval authority.

4 Q But as you sit here today, you don't recall  
5 whether or not you approved any revisions for the  
6 instructions to authors since January 1st, 1992?

7 A Anything that's in there I approved. They  
8 speak for themselves.

9 MR. KIZZIA: Objection, nonresponsive.

10 BY MR. KIZZIA:

11 Q Do you recall approving any instructions for  
12 authors for JAMA since January 1st, 1992?

13 A Yes.

14 Q Do you recall how many times you approved  
15 revisions to the instructions for authors for JAMA  
16 since January 1st, 1992?

17 A No.

18 Q Do you recall any specific revisions that may  
19 have been made for instructions for authors for JAMA  
20 since January 1st, 1992?

21 A No.

22 Q Dr. Lundberg, let me show you what I've had  
23 marked for identification purposes as Exhibit 52.

24 Can you identify Exhibit 52?

1           A       Exhibit 52 is labeled, "Letters, JAMA, January  
2       1, 1992, volume 267, number one, page 51."

3           Q       Does Exhibit No. 52 contain JAMA's guidelines  
4       for letters as they existed on January 1st, 1992?

5           A       Yes.

6           Q       Let me show you what I've had marked for  
7       identification purposes Exhibit 53.

8                         Can you identify Exhibit 53?

9           A       Yes.

10          Q       What is Exhibit 53?

11          A       One page called "Letters" dated JAMA, October  
12       21, 1992, volume 268, number 15, page 2029.

13          Q       Does Exhibit 53 contain JAMA's guidelines for  
14       letters as they existed on October 21, 1992?

15          A       It does.

16          Q       Do you know whether or not JAMA's guidelines  
17       for letters changed between January 1st, 1992, and  
18       January -- I'm sorry. And July -- Well, shoot. Let me  
19       rephrase the question.

20                         Do you know whether or not JAMA's  
21       guidelines for letters changed between January 1st,  
22       1992, and October 21st, 1992?

23          A       I do not.

24          Q       Do you know whether or not the guidelines for

1 letters that are stated in Exhibits 52 and 53 are  
2 different in any regard?

3 A Yes.

4 Q What do you know about any differences that may  
5 exist between --

6 A On Exhibit 52 the guidelines for letters is  
7 laid out in a three-column format and Exhibit 52 it's  
8 laid out in a two-column format.

9 Q Do you know of any other distinctions?

10 A No, but then again I haven't read them lately.

11 Q Let me show you what I've had marked for  
12 identification purposes Exhibit 54?

13 A It is letters, JAMA, December 15, 1993, volume  
14 270, number 23, page 2805.

15 Q Does Exhibit 54 contain the requirements for  
16 letters to JAMA as they existed on December 15th, 1993?

17 A It does.

18 Q Do you know whether or not those requirements  
19 or guidelines were revised between October 21st, 1992,  
20 and December 15th, 1993?

21 A Yes.

22 Q Were they revised?

23 A They were.

24 Q How were they revised?

1           A       They have a different title. One is called,  
2 "Guidelines." The other is called, "Requirements."

3           Q       Any other changes?

4           A       I don't know about the others. Looking at them  
5 at this moment I see that the most recent one says, "See  
6 also instructions for authors, (July 7, 1993)."

7                         And the earlier ones didn't say that. But  
8 short of comparing them word for word, I don't know if  
9 there are any differences.

10          Q       Did you participate in the preparation of the  
11 guidelines for letters or requirements for letters to  
12 JAMA?

13          A       I did not.

14          Q       Who at JAMA was responsible for preparation of  
15 the guidelines for letters or requirements for letters  
16 and any revisions thereto?

17          A       Dr. Drummond Rennie is in charge of letters.  
18 Currently Dr. Margaret Winker works with Dr. Rennie.  
19 And prior to Dr. Winker Dr. Bruce Dan, D-a-n, was the  
20 editor of letters with Dr. Rennie.

21          MR. BABCOCK: We have been all over this a couple  
22 times?

23          THE WITNESS: This is all repeated information from  
24 prior questions and answers.

1 BY MR. KIZZIA:

2 Q Is Dr. Dan still with JAMA?

3 A No. He left sometime ago.

4 Q Who would have been responsible for any  
5 revisions to the instructions for authors that were made  
6 between January 1st, 1992, and today as may be shown in  
7 Exhibits 48, 49, 50 and 51?

8 A Any and all of the editorial staff.

9 Q Nobody had primary responsibility for that?

10 A I had primary responsibility. I'm responsible  
11 for everything.

12 Q But you couldn't recall any revisions. So is  
13 there anyone that would have been secondarily  
14 responsible?

15 A Well, as I testified, instruction for authors  
16 are looked at and reviewed every six months and revised  
17 in response to input from any and all editors and staff  
18 all of whose suggestions are taken, considered,  
19 correlated, interpreted, put in place, reviewed, and  
20 signed off on by many individuals.

21 Q But you wouldn't single out any JAMA  
22 representative other than yourself as having more  
23 responsibility than others for revisions to the  
24 instructions for authors?



1           A       I suppose that there are four or five or six  
2 people more responsible than the other 20 or 30. That's  
3 not singling out.

4           Q       Let me show you what I've had marked for  
5 identification purposes as Exhibit 55.

6                       Can you identify that for me?

7           A       Exhibit 55 is a photocopy of the cover of the  
8 American Medical Association Manual of Style, eighth  
9 edition.

10                       The second page is page 84 from that book  
11 entitled at the top, "Typesetting/proofreading 4.5  
12 through 4.10."

13           Q       Does the second page of Exhibit 55 state JAMA's  
14 correction policy?

15           A       Yes and no.

16           Q       Please explain your answer.

17           A       It states the policy of corrections of the AMA  
18 manual on style. JAMA's policy is to include this  
19 information as part of its policy for corrections.

20           Q       So it's AMA policy that is followed by JAMA?

21           A       It may or may not be followed by JAMA.

22           Q       Why would it not be followed by JAMA?

23           A       Because we do a lot of individualization.

24           Q       Well, I notice that in the second sentence of

1 the paragraph referencing corrections on page two of  
2 Exhibit 55 it's stated, "In JAMA corrections are printed  
3 at the end of the letters to the editor column."

4 Did I read that correctly?

5 A Yes, you did.

6 Q Is there anything stated in the paragraph  
7 regarding corrections on page two of Exhibit 55 that you  
8 do not think applies to JAMA?

9 A No.

10 Q Let me show you what I've had marked for  
11 identification purposes Exhibit 56.

12 Can you identify that for me, please?

13 A Exhibit 56 is a booklet entitled "Uniform  
14 Requirements for Manuscripts Submitted to Biomedical  
15 Journals and Supplemental Statements from the  
16 International Committee of Medical Journal Editors dated  
17 1993."

18 Q Last week during the first part of your  
19 deposition you identified two publications as being  
20 authoritative in your opinion with regard to  
21 journalistic or editorial ethics.

22 Was that one of the documents or  
23 publications that you referred to that's marked as  
24 Exhibit 56?

1 MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.

2 THE WITNESS: Having not reviewed the testimony from  
3 last week having not been provided with it, I do not  
4 recall the exact phraseology so I will not corroborate  
5 your statement that I said such and such.

6 BY MR. KIZZIA:

7 Q Do you consider the Uniform Requirements for  
8 Manuscripts Submitted to Biomedical Journals and  
9 Supplemental Statements from the International Committee  
10 of Medical Journal Editors 1993, which is marked as  
11 Exhibit 56, authoritative on editorial ethics?

12 A I do.

13 Q Do you consider the American Medical  
14 Association Manual of Style, eighth edition, as  
15 authoritative on editorial and journalistic ethics?

16 A I do not.

17 Q Do you consider the American Medical  
18 Association Manual of Style, eighth edition,  
19 authoritative on anything?

20 A I do.

21 Q What do you consider it to be authoritative on?

22 A Style.

23 Q Was there or is there any other publication  
24 other than that marked as Exhibit 56 which you consider

1 to be authoritative on editorial or journalistic ethics?

2 A No.

3 Q Let me show you what I've had marked for  
4 identification purposes Exhibit 57.

5 Would you please identify Exhibit 57 for  
6 me.

7 A Exhibit 57 is the photocopy of the written text  
8 from which I spoke on April 3, 1993, at a conference in  
9 Chicago.

10 Q The first nine pages of Exhibit 57 are in  
11 handwriting. Do you see that?

12 A Yes.

13 Q Is that your handwriting?

14 A It is.

15 Q Is there any portion of the handwriting  
16 contained on the first nine pages of Exhibit 57 that is  
17 not in your handwriting?

18 A No.

19 Q The last two pages of Exhibit 57 are also in  
20 handwriting. Do you see that?

21 A I do.

22 Q Are those last two pages in your handwriting?

23 A They are.

24 Q Is there any handwriting on the last two pages

1 of Exhibit 57 that is not yours?

2 A There is not.

3 Q The four typewritten pages in between the pages  
4 of handwriting appear similar to the written remarks  
5 that you prepared for your May 19th, 1992, press  
6 conference with some revisions.

7 Would that be a fair description of those  
8 typewritten pages?

9 A That's fair.

10 MR. BABCOCK: Read that question back, please.

11 THE WITNESS: Sorry.

12 MR. BABCOCK: That's all right.

13 (Record read.)

14 THE WITNESS: It would.

15 BY MR. KIZZIA:

16 Q You said last week that JAMA is published in  
17 multiple countries in multiple languages; is that right?

18 A That is right.

19 Q Is that true then of the May 27th, 1992,  
20 articles that were written by Mr. Breo, that they were  
21 published in multiple countries in multiple languages?

22 A Yes.

23 Q You indicated last week that there probably  
24 were some copy editors that worked on the two articles



1 written by Mr. Breo that were published in JAMA on May  
2 27th; 1992. Do you have any recollection of who the  
3 copy editors were?

4 A No.

5 Q You have not been to any school of journalism,  
6 have you?

7 A I have not.

8 Q Do you have any formal training as an editor?

9 A No.

10 Q You mentioned last week that you are a host of  
11 a television program on CNBC called JAMA Medical Rounds?

12 A That is true.

13 Q Is that a program that's broadcast nationwide?

14 A It is.

15 Q And that is broadcast nationwide weekly?

16 A Weekly.

17 Q Since you've been a host has that program had a  
18 show that's focused on any aspect of the JFK  
19 assassination?

20 A I need to consult with counsel.

21 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Audio off, 1:59 p.m.

22 (Discussion held off the record.)

23 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Back on, 2:00 p.m.

24 THE WITNESS: Since I have been hosting the program

1 called JAMA Medical Rounds there's been no discussion  
2 regarding the JFK assassination or autopsy.

3 BY MR. KIZZIA:

4 Q Has there been any other host of that program?

5 A Yes.

6 Q Prior to May 1st of 1993?

7 A No.

8 Q Did you say that the program started on May  
9 1st, 1993?

10 A My testimony is that JAMA Medical Rounds  
11 started on May 1st, 1993.

12 Q Prior to May 1st, 1993, did you appear on any  
13 program for CNBC that focused on any aspect of the JFK  
14 assassination?

15 A Yes.

16 Q What program was that?

17 A As testified to last week a nighttime talk show  
18 out of New York City or Fort Lee, New Jersey,  
19 immediately after the press conference in New York.

20 Q Did you participate in any program regarding  
21 any aspect of the JFK assassination on CNBC following  
22 the remarks that you made at a conference in Chicago on  
23 April 3rd, 1993?

24 A Yes.

1 Q What program was that?

2 A Medical Rounds.

3 Q Was this before you became host of that  
4 program?

5 A No.

6 Q Are you saying that Medical Rounds was a  
7 different program from JAMA Medical Rounds?

8 A Yes.

9 Q How were the programs different?

10 A I'm responsible for editorial content on  
11 JAMA Medical Rounds. I was not responsible for  
12 editorial content on the program before it became  
13 JAMA Medical Rounds.

14 Q Before you became responsible for the editorial  
15 comment --

16 MR. BABCOCK: Content.

17 BY MR. KIZZIA:

18 Q Content of Medical Rounds, did you participate  
19 in a program that focused on the JFK assassination?

20 A Yes.

21 Q When was that?

22 A In, I think, April of 1993. I don't recall the  
23 date.

24 Q Who was the host of the program?

1 A I was.

2 Q What was the name of the program?

3 A Medical Rounds.

4 Q Were you the host of Medical Rounds before it  
5 became JAMA Medical Rounds?

6 A Yes.

7 Q What was the nature of the program that was on  
8 CNBC in April 1993?

9 A There were four programs on CNBC in April 1993.

10 Q You are talking about one each week?

11 A Yes.

12 Q Did all four of them focus on the JFK  
13 assassination?

14 A No.

15 Q How many of them did?

16 A One did.

17 MR. BABCOCK: Part of one.

18 THE WITNESS: Part of one.

19 BY MR. KIZZIA:

20 Q Let's talk about that one.

21 Can you describe that program?

22 A There was a discussion involving three or four  
23 people about their observations and opinions regarding  
24 the autopsy and related subjects about the

1 JFK assassination.

2 Q Who were the participants in that program?

3 A Dr. John Lattimer, Dr. West, and the third name  
4 I'm blocking on, but he is the curator of the National  
5 Museum of Health and Medicine in Washington D.C.

6 Q Did you invite those persons to participate in  
7 that program?

8 A No.

9 Q Who did?

10 A The producer.

11 Q Who was the producer at that time?

12 A I don't recall. There was turn over of  
13 personnel, and I'm not sure who was producer that day.

14 Q Did those persons participate in the Chicago  
15 conference?

16 A They did.

17 Q How did the producer of the Medical Rounds  
18 program know that they were even available to discuss  
19 that topic?

20 MR. BABCOCK: Objection, calls for speculation.

21 BY MR. KIZZIA:

22 Q Do you know how the producer knew?

23 A Do I know? No, I don't know.

24 Q Are you saying that you didn't tell the



1 producer of the program about the conference in Chicago  
2 and that those individuals were in town speaking on the  
3 JFK assassination and that they would be available to  
4 participate in the program that you were hosting?

5 A Is counsel trying to put words in my mouth? I  
6 don't recall saying any of that.

7 Q I know.

8 Are you saying that that didn't happen  
9 that way?

10 You said that you don't know how your  
11 producer knew about them being involved and present.

12 A That's true.

13 Q What led or what was your involvement in the  
14 connection between the conference in Chicago at which  
15 these individuals participated and the program on CNBC  
16 that followed?

17 A Well, my involvement with the program in  
18 Chicago I was the chair of the panel that appeared at  
19 this assassination symposium at the Illinois center, the  
20 introductory comments of which you are holding in your  
21 hand.

22 I put that panel together at the request  
23 of the organizers of the program who contacted me and  
24 asked me to by letter and by telephone many months

1 before, and I did. I presume, but I'm not supposed to  
2 say this, but I'm trying to help you.

3 MR. BABCOCK: Don't try to help him. Just give him  
4 the facts. Don't speculate or don't presume things.

5 THE WITNESS: The assassination program from that  
6 symposium was widely distributed with dates and names  
7 and place with particular emphasis to media according to  
8 the organizer who told me he was doing that. And I  
9 received such in the mail.

10 The Medical Rounds producer receives  
11 mailings all the time on PR stuff. Perhaps they were  
12 sent that. The names were all listed.

13 BY MR. KIZZIA:

14 Q From where is JAMA Medical Rounds broadcast.

15 A CNBC in Fort Lee, New Jersey.

16 Q From where was the CNBC program Medical Rounds  
17 broadcast in April 1993, and I'm talking about the  
18 program that focused in part on the JFK assassination?

19 A It was broadcast from Fort Lee, New Jersey.

20 Q Did you and the others who participated in the  
21 conference in Chicago travel to New Jersey for the  
22 program?

23 A No.

24 Q Where were you and the other participants in

1 the Chicago conference at the time that the program was  
2 broadcast?

3 A I know I was in my home, but I don't know where  
4 the others were.

5 May I make a correction? That is a  
6 mistake. I apologize. I believe -- I have to withdraw.  
7 I don't know where I was at the time that program was  
8 broadcast.

9 Q I take it that the CNBC program is not  
10 broadcast live?

11 A That is true.

12 Q Is it taped?

13 A It is taped.

14 Q Where was the program taped in April 1993?

15 A In Chicago.

16 Q Is it taped there normally?

17 A Yes.

18 Q Because that's where you are and you are the  
19 host?

20 A That's not why it's taped in Chicago because  
21 that's where the studio is and where the producers are.

22 Q Where is the studio?

23 A At 515 North State Street, Chicago, Illinois,  
24 60610.

1 Q The AMA building?

2 A The building that the AMA leases part of from  
3 John Buck.

4 Q Is the studio among that space leased by the  
5 AMA?

6 A It is.

7 Q What is the difference between Robin Matell's  
8 position with the AMA and that of Larry Joyce?

9 A Mr. Joyce is Mr. Matell's supervisor.

10 Q Do you consider Mr. Matell to be your superior?

11 A No.

12 Q Dr. Lundberg, I want to refer you to Deposition  
13 Exhibit 3DD.

14 Do you see the handwriting in the top  
15 left-hand corner of Exhibit 3DD?

16 A I do.

17 Q Is that your handwriting?

18 A It is.

19 Q It says, "original as distributed to media"?

20 A It does.

21 Q Does that mean that the text of your remarks at  
22 the May 19th, 1992, press conference that is shown as  
23 Exhibit 3DD was distributed to the media?

24 A In a sense.

1 Q Please explain your answer.

2 A It was available at the press conference in New  
3 York City for anyone who chose to pick it up. It was  
4 not sent anywhere.

5 Q I refer you to Exhibit 3V as in Victor. You  
6 see that that's a copy of a document entitled, "script  
7 for Monday JFK autopsy press conference calls to major  
8 media"?

9 A Yes.

10 Q What day of the week was the press conference  
11 held on?

12 A My recollection was it was Tuesday, but that's  
13 working from memory.

14 Q Do you see near the end of the first paragraph  
15 where it refers to tomorrow morning beginning at 10:00  
16 a.m.?

17 A Yes.

18 Q Suggesting that this information was shared  
19 with the media the day before the press conference?

20 MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.  
21 The document says what it says.

22 If you know it meant something else, you  
23 can tell him.

24 THE WITNESS: Usually if you say tomorrow and it's



1 Monday, tomorrow is Tuesday. But I see no date on this  
2 document. I don't even see a year.

3 BY MR. KIZZIA:

4 Q Was it your understanding that information was  
5 shared with the media in advance of the press conference  
6 that took place at 10:00 a.m. on May 19th, 1992?

7 A I didn't know, but -- Well, I didn't know if  
8 there was or wasn't.

9 Q Look at the fourth paragraph on the bottom  
10 where it says, "At the news conference we will have  
11 copies of both entire articles."

12 Were both of Mr. Breo's articles that were  
13 published in the May 27th, 1992, edition of JAMA copied  
14 and made available for the media at the press  
15 conference?

16 A Yes.

17 Q Look back up to the first sentence of the third  
18 paragraph. It states that, "We are notifying you  
19 because we will release an interview to be published in  
20 JAMA." Do you see that?

21 A Yes.

22 Q Was a text or any interview with any of the  
23 doctors made available to the media?

24 MR. BABCOCK: Objection to the form of the question.

1 You read a sentence from a document that this witness  
2 has not identified and then you connect it to something  
3 else. The question is improper. I object to it.

4 THE WITNESS: I guess I need to hear a fresh  
5 question and figure out what you are trying to ask.

6 BY MR. KIZZIA:

7 Q Let me ask you a different way.

8 Do you know what was referred to in the  
9 first line of the third paragraph where it states, "an  
10 interview to be published in JAMA will be released"?

11 A I don't know any more than what you do reading  
12 that.

13 MR. BABCOCK: Then you don't know.

14 BY MR. KIZZIA:

15 Q So are you saying you don't know what that  
16 refers to?

17 A Well, it says, "We are notifying you because we  
18 will release an interview to be published in JAMA with  
19 the pathologist who performed the autopsy on President  
20 Kennedy." That kind of speaks for itself.

21 Q My question to you is do you know what is  
22 referred to there as an interview that's to be released?

23 MR. BABCOCK: If you have knowledge above and beyond  
24 what's in that document about what that document is

1 referring to.

2 THE WITNESS: Well, I know that the May 27 JAMA  
3 included a journalism article written by Mr. Breo based  
4 in part on interviews with the pathologists who  
5 performed the autopsy on President Kennedy. That's  
6 fairly obvious.

7 MR. BABCOCK: It may or may not be to Mr. Kizzia,  
8 but he'll ask you another question.

9 BY MR. KIZZIA:

10 Q Did you ever see any transcripts of interviews  
11 with any of the doctors that Mr. Breo participated in  
12 prior to writing his articles that were published in  
13 JAMA on May 27th, 1992?

14 MR. BABCOCK: That question has been asked and  
15 answered several times.

16 THE WITNESS: Asked and answered. The answer is no.

17 BY MR. KIZZIA:

18 Q I refer you to Exhibit 3U, which is a copy of  
19 the text of your remarks at the press conference.

20 Do you see that?

21 A If you are asking me to answer the question  
22 which corroborates what you said in your total sentence,  
23 I will say no.

24 Q What is the reason for that response?

1           A       Because counsel knows based on prior testimony  
2 that this is not the text of my remarks to the press  
3 conference.

4           Q       Well, it's one of the versions of the text that  
5 you prepared.

6           MR. BABCOCK: That's not the question you asked him.

7           MR. KIZZIA: Okay.

8 BY MR. KIZZIA:

9           Q       Exhibit 3U is a copy of a version of the text  
10 of the remarks that was later revised; is that right?

11          A       3U is a copy of a draft which several  
12 iterations later was presented which several iterations  
13 later served as the basis for my verbal remarks.

14          Q       Did you prepare the draft that's marked as  
15 Exhibit 3U?

16          A       No.

17          Q       Who did?

18          A       My secretary.

19          Q       Are you saying she typed it?

20          A       She entered in the word processor no longer  
21 known as typed and had the printer print it out in  
22 response to my dictation.

23          Q       So you dictated the draft of the remarks that's  
24 marked as Exhibit 3U?

1           A       I dictated an initial draft. From that point  
2 forward worked in revisions on the draft without  
3 dictation. This was an early iteration.

4           Q       Is Exhibit 3U the result of your dictation?

5           A       3U?

6           Q       Yes, sir.

7           A       It is.

8           Q       Look down near just below half way through the  
9 first page where it states that you will make a  
10 six-minute summary statement then we will give all of  
11 you folders of written material from JAMA. Do you see  
12 that?

13          A       I see that.

14          Q       Was that done? Were folders of written  
15 material from JAMA provided to those who attended the  
16 press conference?

17          A       Was that done? I made a summary statement, but  
18 I do not know if it was six minutes. I didn't time it.

19                   I do not know whether folders of written  
20 material from JAMA were given.

21          Q       Well, when you dictated that we will give all  
22 of you folders of written material from JAMA, what was  
23 your understanding as to what would be provided to those  
24 who attended the press conference?



1           A       I believe that there would be the full JAMA  
2 from that date or those articles by Mr. Breo provided to  
3 the people who attended the press conference.

4           Q       Did you have any understanding about any other  
5 written material from JAMA that would be in the folders  
6 to be provided to people who attended the press  
7 conference?

8           A       I believe that there would be a press release  
9 of some kind which is normally done weekly for JAMA.

10          Q       Anything else that you understood to be in the  
11 folder of written materials from JAMA?

12          A       No.

13          Q       I refer you to Exhibit 3EE. That is a copy of  
14 the actual text that you used in making your remarks at  
15 the press conference on May 19th, 1992; is that right?

16          A       Yes. Or very close to it as a basis for  
17 remarks, not necessarily stated verbatim.

18          Q       On the third page of Exhibit 3EE at the top you  
19 referred to 14 pages of journalism in the May 27th,  
20 1992, issue of JAMA. Do you see that?

21          A       I do.

22          Q       Was that a reference to the two articles  
23 written by Mr. Breo pertaining to the JFK assassination?

24          A       It was.

1 Q See where you scratched out the word "original"  
2 so instead of saying "original journalism" you just said  
3 "journalism," do you see that?

4 A What is the question?

5 Q Do you see where you made that change,  
6 scratching out the word "original" so that your remarks  
7 read "journalism" instead of "original journalism"?

8 A As testified a week ago, I know my handwriting,  
9 but I don't know my marks. Lines are lines, and I can't  
10 tell you whether I or someone else made that mark based  
11 upon my recognition of my handwriting.

12 Q All right.

13 Why were your remarks revised to refer to  
14 Mr. Breo's articles as 14 pages of journalism as opposed  
15 to 14 pages of original journalism as originally  
16 drafted?

17 A I don't know, and I don't know when that was  
18 done, when the revision occurred. I can't tell if I did  
19 it.

20 MR. BABCOCK: Your answer "I don't know" is  
21 responsive.

22 THE WITNESS: Yeah.

23 BY MR. KIZZIA:

24 Q On the next line you refer to a special 11,000

1 word report written by Mr. Breo. Do you see that?

2 A I see that.

3 Q Is that a reference to the two articles written  
4 by Mr. Breo that were published in JAMA on May 27th,  
5 1992?

6 A It is.

7 Q The next line contains some revisions. Do you  
8 see that?

9 A I do.

10 Q Are those handwritten revisions in your  
11 handwriting?

12 A They are.

13 MR. BABCOCK: I'll object. We've been all through  
14 this document last week and including that question  
15 about his handwriting.

16 BY MR. KIZZIA:

17 Q Why was the statement revised to say that the  
18 physicians agreed to speak with JAMA as opposed to the  
19 original version that said that all physicians spoke  
20 exclusively with JAMA.

21 A To downplay the exclusivity in the hope that  
22 they would speak with others.

23 Q But a few lines later it is stated that they do  
24 not plan to give further interviews. Do you see that?

1           A       I do.

2           Q       What was your understanding as to why the  
3 physicians did not plan to give further interviews?

4           A       Which physicians?

5           Q       The ones that you were referring to there.

6           A       First off, it would be a different answer for  
7 different physicians. Second off, it would all be  
8 speculation. So I can't tell you.

9           Q       So you are saying you don't know?

10          A       That's right.

11          Q       I refer you to the last page of that exhibit,  
12 first line. It stated that the recent Crenshaw book JFK  
13 : Conspiracy of Silence is a sad fabrication based upon  
14 unsubstantiated allegations.

15                   Do you see that?

16          A       I do.

17          Q       Now last week I asked you what you meant by  
18 fabrication, and you stated what you meant by that.

19                   But my question to you, Dr. Lundberg, is  
20 do you understand what the common definition of the word  
21 fabrication is?

22           MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question. I  
23 don't know that there is any such thing.

24

1 BY MR. KIZZIA:

2 Q Let me ask you this way, Dr. Lundberg.

3 Back on or about May 19th, 1992, when you  
4 were preparing your remarks and when you've rendered  
5 them at the press conference on that date, what was your  
6 understanding as to the commonly understood definition  
7 of the word fabrication?

8 MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.  
9 Calls for speculation.

10 Don't speculate about it.

11 BY MR. KIZZIA:

12 Q Or did you have any such understanding?

13 MR. BABCOCK: Don't speculate about what people may  
14 have thought about that.

15 THE WITNESS: I don't know.

16 BY MR. KIZZIA:

17 Q Did you intend to convey the idea with that  
18 remark that the authors of the book JFK: Conspiracy of  
19 Silence had made up or invented the story related in the  
20 book?

21 A No.

22 Q Let me show you the definition of the word  
23 fabricate from the American Heritage Dictionary.

24 Can you read that for us?



1           A       The word fabricate. 1A. To fashion or make.  
2 1B. To construct, build. 2. To make up,  
3 (a deception).

4           Q       Did you have any idea that by saying what you  
5 said on May 19th, 1992, that you might leave the  
6 impression among some listeners or readers that you were  
7 suggesting that the authors of the book JFK: Conspiracy  
8 of Silence had made up what was stated in the book?

9           MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.  
10 It calls for speculation.

11          THE WITNESS: I don't know what people would think.

12          MR. KIZZIA: Objection, nonresponsive.

13 BY MR. KIZZIA:

14          Q       My question was at the time that you made these  
15 remarks on May 19th, 1992, did you have any idea that  
16 some listeners or readers of your remarks might come  
17 away with the impression that you were suggesting by  
18 using the word fabricate that the authors of the book  
19 JFK: Conspiracy of Silence had made up what was stated  
20 in the book?

21          MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.  
22 It calls for speculation.

23          THE WITNESS: I don't know.

24

1 BY MR. KIZZIA:

2 Q But it is your testimony that you did not  
3 intend to leave that impression?

4 MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.  
5 That's not what he said.

6 BY MR. KIZZIA:

7 Q Was that your intention to leave that  
8 impression?

9 MR. BABCOCK: Objection to the form of the question.  
10 It's vague, ambiguous as to what the impression is.

11 THE WITNESS: No.

12 BY MR. KIZZIA:

13 Q The next line in Exhibit 3EE it is stated that  
14 in your opinion the best explanations for the motivation  
15 of the myriad conspiracy theorists are -- Could you read  
16 the rest of that?

17 A Natural suspicions, desire for personal  
18 recognition and public visibility and profit.

19 Q What's the next note?

20 A Four p-s.

21 Q The four P's?

22 A Four P's.

23 Q And as originally drafted the text said  
24 paranoia, personal recognition, public visibility

1 and profit?

2 A That is true.

3 Q Is that what you were referring to by the four  
4 P's?

5 A Yes.

6 Q Was this statement a reference to Dr. Crenshaw  
7 or the book JFK: Conspiracy of Silence?

8 MR. BABCOCK: Objection to the form of the question.  
9 The statement says what it says.

10 You can answer if you can.

11 THE WITNESS: I believe it speaks for itself.  
12 Myriad conspiracy theorists, whoever they are.

13 BY MR. KIZZIA:

14 Q Well, was it your intent when you wrote these  
15 words and when you stated them at the press conference  
16 on May 19th, 1992, that they applied to and include  
17 Dr. Crenshaw and his coauthors of the book JFK:  
18 Conspiracy of Silence?

19 A I was referring to hundreds or thousands of  
20 people. Conspiracy theorists attempting to explain why  
21 they do what they do.

22 Dr. Crenshaw I didn't put in any  
23 particular pot. There or anywhere else.

24 MR. KIZZIA: Objection, nonresponsive.

1 MR. BABCOCK: That's responsive.

2 BY MR. KIZZIA:

3 Q I just want to know whether or not you  
4 intended -- Yes or no. Did you intend that the second  
5 statement contained on that page about the four P's  
6 apply to and include Dr. Crenshaw and his coauthors, the  
7 book JFK: Conspiracy of Silence, which was the preceding  
8 statement?

9 MR. WATLER: Object to the form of the question.  
10 You misstated the preceding statement.

11 MR. BABCOCK: That's a good objection.

12 THE WITNESS: I wish to consult with counsel.

13 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Audio off, 2:37 p.m.

14 (Discussion held off the record.)

15 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Audio back on, 2:37.

16 MR. BABCOCK: Read back the question, please.

17 (Record read.)

18 THE WITNESS: The answer is no.

19 BY MR. KIZZIA:

20 Q About half way down on that page do you see the  
21 reference to honest conspiracy theorists?

22 A I do.

23 Q Did you intend for the reference to honest  
24 conspiracy theorists to apply to and include

1 Dr. Crenshaw and his coauthors of the book JFK:  
2 Conspiracy of Silence?

3 A No.

4 Q How do you reconcile the second sentence where  
5 you refer to the four P's as applicable to conspiracy  
6 theorists and your reference to honest conspiracy  
7 theorists later on on that same page?

8 MR. BABCOCK: The sentence doesn't contain four P's.  
9 That's a handwritten note to the side. So I object  
10 because it mischaracterizes the speech.

11 Otherwise go ahead.

12 THE WITNESS: I don't understand the question of  
13 reconciliation. I don't know what you mean.

14 BY MR. KIZZIA:

15 Q Do you think that an honest conspiracy theorist  
16 can be motivated by paranoia, personal recognition,  
17 public visibility and profit?

18 MR. BABCOCK: That calls for speculation, but.

19 THE WITNESS: The question is can an honest  
20 conspiracy theorist be motivated by paranoia, personal  
21 recognition, public visibility and profit?

22 As a theoretical construct, I suppose the  
23 answer is yes.

24



1 BY MR. KIZZIA:

2 Q Well, when you wrote the remarks and delivered  
3 them on May 19th, 1992, did you intend to convey the  
4 point that honest conspiracy theorists were not  
5 motivated by paranoia, personal recognition, public  
6 visibility and profit?

7 MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.  
8 The remarks speak for themselves.

9 Go ahead and answer if you can.

10 THE WITNESS: There was no such intent.

11 BY MR. KIZZIA:

12 Q In the last paragraph do you see where it's  
13 stated "now the conference is open for questions," and  
14 then you have handwritten "hand out materials," do you  
15 see that?

16 A Yes.

17 Q Did you write that?

18 A Yes.

19 Q Did you hand out materials?

20 A No.

21 Q What was that a reference to?

22 A Presumably --

23 MR. BABCOCK: Don't presume. If you remember, you  
24 remember. If you don't remember, tell him you

1 don't remember.

2 THE WITNESS: It was a reference to what was to have  
3 been available to the people who attended the  
4 conference, which we already testified to.

5 BY MR. KIZZIA:

6 Q Well, why did you write that on there if that  
7 wasn't a reminder to you to hand out materials?

8 A Well, the reason I wrote it there, and I'm sure  
9 you notice that I didn't say that, that was an earlier  
10 draft, and the arrow points that I didn't say it.

11 It was turned back over to Mr. Matell  
12 before that line. So if you are asking me why did I  
13 write it, I hope you are not asking me why I said it,  
14 because I didn't.

15 Q Where do you show that you stopped speaking?

16 A Robin arrow means that's where Mr. Matell took  
17 over.

18 Q Dr. Lundberg, I refer you to Exhibit 3T?

19 A T as in Tom?

20 Q Yes, sir.

21 Do you see that that is a copy of the  
22 American Medical Association news release embargo for  
23 release 10:00 a.m. eastern daylight time Tuesday, May  
24 19th, 1992?

1           A     Yes.

2           Q     Refresh my memory if you would --

3           MR. BABCOCK:  You don't have to refresh his memory.  
4     He only has to refresh his own memory.

5     BY MR. KIZZIA:

6           Q     Did you participate in the writing of the news  
7     release that's marked as Exhibit 3T?

8           A     As testified one week ago, no.

9           Q     Did you review the news release before it was  
10    released to the media?

11          A     As asked and answered last week I don't  
12    remember.

13          Q     Look down in the next to the last paragraph  
14    where it references the interviews with Dr. Humes and  
15    Dr. Boswell, and it refers to those interviews as the  
16    first ever public discussion of the case.  Do you see  
17    that?

18          A     I see that.

19          Q     Is that accurate?

20          A     Yes and no depending on how you look at it.

21          Q     Please explain your answer.

22          A     It's my understanding that Dr. Humes and  
23    Dr. Boswell appeared before the Warren Commission and  
24    one or two special Congressional investigations.

1                   And if one calls that public discussion,  
2 then it's not true. But if one doesn't speak in terms  
3 of the official investigation groups, official  
4 investigations, it's true or very close to true, but we  
5 subsequently discovered that Dr. Humes had been  
6 interviewed by CBC, correction, by CBS Television more  
7 than two decades before and had appeared on a program  
8 with Dan Rather.

9                   But whether a one-on-one television  
10 interview constitutes a public discussion again could be  
11 argued.

12                   So there's some caveats there, and I guess  
13 it depends on how you interpret the phrase.

14           Q       Well, do you consider a one-on-one discussion  
15 with a journalist to be a public discussion?

16           A       I guess it depends on whether it's one on one  
17 or two on two or whether -- what product that discussion  
18 is made available to the world to talk about or whether  
19 it's suppressed as to how I would answer that.

20           Q       Do you think that whether or not an interview  
21 is done on a one-on-one basis or two-on-two basis makes  
22 the difference as to whether or not it's a public  
23 discussion or not?

24           A       Probably not.

1 Q Well, in this particular case you and Mr. Breo  
2 went down and met with Mr. Humes and Dr. Boswell in  
3 Florida; is that right?

4 A That is true.

5 Q And Dr. Humes and Dr. Boswell stated that they  
6 would not do any other interviews; is that right?

7 A That is right.

8 Q Do you think then that it would be accurate to  
9 describe those interviews as public discussion?

10 A When one considers the amount of public  
11 discussion that occurred in response to the publication  
12 of those two-on-two interviews, I think it's extremely  
13 accurate to call that a public discussion.

14 On the other hand, they only participated  
15 personally by being interviewed by two people who  
16 then -- one of whom then wrote up the report.

17 So I see that one could quibble.

18 Q Well, are you saying that publication of the  
19 two articles written by Breo in JAMA on May 27th, 1992,  
20 that pertain to interviews with Dr. Humes and Boswell  
21 led to a public discussion?

22 A Yes, I would posit that it led to extraordinary  
23 public discussion which continues this very moment.

24 Q Of course, at the time this news release was



1 prepared on May 19th or delivered on May 19th, 1992,  
2 that public discussion hadn't taken place; isn't  
3 that right?

4 MR. BABCOCK: Well, I'm going to object on a number  
5 of grounds. Number one, he's already testified he  
6 didn't write this thing and it's not fair to cross  
7 examine him and grill him about what somebody that's not  
8 him meant by all this.

9 Second thing, it doesn't seem to me it's  
10 very relevant to this controversy. It doesn't have  
11 anything to do with Crenshaw or Shaw, for that matter.

12 And I had another point, but I can't  
13 remember what it was.

14 MR. RICHEY: Vague and ambiguous.

15 MR. BABCOCK: Yeah. I think I object on the grounds  
16 it's boring, but.

17 Can we take a quick break? My office  
18 called.

19 MR. KIZZIA: Sure.

20 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Going off the record, 2:50 p.m.

21 (Recess had.)

22 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Back on the record, 3:07 p.m.

23 BY MR. KIZZIA:

24 Q Dr. Lundberg, at one point in one of the two

1 articles that Mr. Breo wrote that were published in JAMA  
2 on May 27th, 1992, he referred to you as a stickler for  
3 detail. Do you remember that?

4 A Yes.

5 Q Is that an accurate description of you?

6 A I presume it's an accurate description of  
7 Mr. Breo's views of me.

8 Q Do you consider yourself to be a stickler for  
9 detail?

10 A Sometimes.

11 Q And you edited that article and didn't suggest  
12 any changes to that description of you; is that right?

13 MR. BABCOCK: That's a compound question. He edited  
14 the article and didn't suggest any changes. Break it  
15 down.

16 BY MR. KIZZIA:

17 Q In editing Mr. Breo's article did you suggest  
18 any change to his description of you as being a stickler  
19 for detail?

20 MR. BABCOCK: Assumes facts not in evidence.

21 Go ahead.

22 THE WITNESS: No, I didn't. I didn't suggest that  
23 be changed.

24

1 BY MR. KIZZIA:

2 Q Do you think that it is accurate to describe  
3 the interviews that you and Mr. Breo did with Dr. Humes  
4 and Dr. Boswell in Florida in April of 1992 as a public  
5 discussion?

6 A As I've testified, it was as close to a public  
7 discussion as these two have come, and it was our best  
8 effort to create such.

9 So in that sense, yes, although it clearly  
10 would have been better had they been willing to make  
11 themselves available for open discussion in a public  
12 forum at any time.

13 Q And answer questions presented to them by other  
14 medical professionals?

15 A By any and all.

16 Q There were questions that were submitted to the  
17 physicians through JAMA that they declined to respond  
18 to; isn't that correct?

19 A Yes.

20 Q JAMA is a peer review scientific journal,  
21 correct?

22 A That is true.

23 Q In that regard it publishes original medical  
24 research articles?

1 A Yes.

2 Q But it also publishes journalism; is that  
3 right?

4 A Yes.

5 Q And in this particular case the articles that  
6 were written by Mr. Breo and that were published in JAMA  
7 on May 27th, 1992, were journalistic articles?

8 A That is true.

9 Q As the editor in chief of JAMA, did you give  
10 any consideration to publicizing or otherwise publishing  
11 the fact that Mr. Breo's articles of journalism were not  
12 subjected to the same peer review process for scientific  
13 articles?

14 MR. BABCOCK: Read that back. I'm sorry.

15 (Record read.)

16 MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.  
17 It assumes facts not in evidence.

18 Go ahead. You can answer.

19 THE WITNESS: Yes.

20 BY MR. KIZZIA:

21 Q You did give consideration to that?

22 A Yes.

23 Q Did you publicize or publish that explanation  
24 or clarification?

1 A Yes.

2 Q In what form did you publish that?

3 A At the press conference in New York.

4 Q What did you state with regard to that?

5 A We called this 11,000 words of journalism and  
6 produced the journalist who wrote it for full questions.

7 Q But you didn't state at your remarks at the  
8 press conference on May 19th, 1992, that Mr. Breo's two  
9 articles that were published in JAMA on May 27th, 1992,  
10 were not subjected to the same peer review that  
11 scientific articles are, did you?

12 A We did not say that.

13 Q Do you think that that should have been said or  
14 told to the media?

15 A No.

16 Q Why?

17 A I think it's obvious.

18 Q What's obvious?

19 A In the JAMA there are many editorial  
20 categories. Journalistic articles written by medical  
21 journalists are what they are.

22 Scientific articles written by scientists  
23 are what they are. And to the accustomed JAMA reader  
24 including a huge number of medical reporters in the



1 public media that distinction is well-known and  
2 well-understood. It is obvious.

3 Q So you are saying that the typical reader of  
4 JAMA would be able to tell the difference between a  
5 piece of journalism like that written by Mr. Breo and a  
6 scientific medical article written by some physician?

7 MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.  
8 Calls for speculation as to what somebody typical would  
9 see.

10 Go ahead and answer the question.

11 THE WITNESS: Not only do I believe that the average  
12 JAMA reader would be able to tell the difference.

13 I also believe the average medical  
14 reporter reporting to the public would also be able to  
15 tell the difference.

16 BY MR. KIZZIA:

17 Q What about the average member of the public at  
18 large or interested viewers or readers I think as you  
19 referred to last week, do you think they would be able  
20 to know the difference?

21 MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.  
22 Calls for speculation.

23 Go ahead.

24 THE WITNESS: Some would and some would not.

1 BY MR. KIZZIA:

2 Q The reason that I ask you about that,  
3 Dr. Lundberg, or one of the reason is in looking back at  
4 the first page of the news release that's marked as  
5 Exhibit 3T in the next to the last paragraph it is  
6 stated that Dr. Humes and Boswell agree to talk with  
7 JAMA about their four-hour autopsy of Kennedy because  
8 the interview was to appear in a peer reviewed  
9 scientific Journal.

10 Do you see that?

11 A I do.

12 Q Is that why Dr. Humes and Dr. Boswell agreed to  
13 talk with JAMA?

14 A It's a major reason. It may not be the only  
15 reason.

16 Q Without any further explanation, as an editor  
17 would you say that that statement is misleading to some  
18 extent at least with its reference to the peer reviewed  
19 scientific journal?

20 MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.  
21 Misleading to whom?

22 BY MR. KIZZIA:

23 Q Go ahead and answer.

24 A Not at all. I think it's a direct clear

1 statement that Humes and Boswell after something like 25  
2 years are refusing to talk to anybody about this except  
3 the Congress finally agreed to talk about it for the  
4 world to see it written up.

5           And one of the main reasons they gave me  
6 was because it would appear in JAMA, a respected peer  
7 reviewed scientific journal which would be in all the  
8 medical libraries of the world and available to their  
9 colleagues.

10           Without that as a reason they very likely  
11 would not have talked to us, perhaps not to anyone else.

12           So I think it's exactly the right thing.  
13 It's stated very clearly.

14           Q       Well, the news release that's marked Exhibit 3T  
15 wasn't just released to medical personnel, was it?

16           MR. BABCOCK: Now don't speculate about this because  
17 he's already asked you about it. You said you didn't  
18 know before.

19           THE WITNESS: I don't know to whom it's released.

20           BY MR. KIZZIA:

21           Q       Well, assuming that the news release was  
22 released to -- as news releases generally are -- to the  
23 media generally, don't you think that that sentence  
24 without any further explanation or clarification implies

1 that Mr. Breo's articles were scientific and peer  
2 reviewed?

3 A No.

4 Q You don't think that it suggests that  
5 Mr. Breo's articles were subjected to the same peer  
6 review process that other scientific articles are in  
7 JAMA?

8 A Not at all.

9 Q Dr. Lundberg, let me show you Exhibit 57, which  
10 is a copy of the remarks that you made on April 3rd,  
11 1993, at a conference in Dallas and ask that you read  
12 the first three sentences of the page that's labeled  
13 page five.

14 MR. BABCOCK: I think you mischaracterized where the  
15 remarks were made. You said Dallas.

16 MR. KIZZIA: All right.

17 BY MR. KIZZIA:

18 Q Let me show you what I've had marked for  
19 identification purposes Exhibit 57 which you previously  
20 identified as a copy of the remarks that you made at the  
21 conference in Chicago on April 3rd, 1993, and I ask you  
22 to read the first three sentences of your handwriting on  
23 the page that's labeled with the handwritten number  
24 five.

1           A     Did you say the first three lines?

2           Q     First three sentences.

3           A     "I wasn't in Dallas or Bethesda those days.  
4 I'm really not much of an expert in this thing at all.  
5 My role in this is that of a journalist along with  
6 Mr. Dennis Breo of our JAMA staff."

7           Q     Does that accurately describe your role with  
8 regard to the publication of articles at JAMA concerning  
9 the JFK assassination?

10          A     No.

11          Q     Could you explain why not?

12          A     There have been many articles published in JAMA  
13 as regards the autopsy and findings related to it. I  
14 served different roles with different articles.

15          Q     Are you talking about articles other than those  
16 published in 1992 and 1993?

17          A     No. I'm only referring to those two years.

18          Q     Could you describe the roles you played on or  
19 with regard to Mr. Breo's articles that were published  
20 in May of 1992 in JAMA. May 27th, 1992.

21          A     The role I played in those two articles was to  
22 make the interviews happen. That took seven years of  
23 effort. First.

24                         Second, to participate in the preparation



1 and study prior to the interviews.

2 Third, to participate in the interviews  
3 themselves.

4 And, fourth, to review as the editor in  
5 chief and peer review as a forensic pathologist and edit  
6 a little for words the two articles written by Mr. Breo.

7 In addition, my role was since the two  
8 pathologists refused to meet the media, my role was to  
9 respond to the request of the AMA Division of  
10 Communication to appear before the media at the press  
11 conference along with Mr. Breo and Mr. Matell since  
12 Humes and Boswell wouldn't show up.

13 Q Did --

14 A And my continuing role is to take the heat for  
15 whatever happened in respect to them.

16 Q Did members of the AMA Communications or Public  
17 Relations Department meet with you or otherwise consult  
18 with you about the content of the news release that's  
19 marked as Exhibit 3T?

20 A I don't have recollection of that.

21 Q When you said at the conference in Chicago on  
22 April 3rd, 1993, that you're really not much of an  
23 expert on this at all, was that an accurate statement?

24 A If this at all refers to the JFK assassination

1 and everything that resolves around it, it's an accurate  
2 statement, yes.

3 Q What were you referring to when you made that  
4 statement on April 3rd, 1993?

5 A I was referring to the fact that there have  
6 been thousands of pages written, hundreds of books  
7 published, a myriad people involved in hashing and  
8 rehashing the JFK assassination, and I at no time  
9 purported to be an expert in that entire mass of  
10 literature and pathos. It's not my bag.

11 Q You mentioned earlier that you were involved in  
12 some of the preparation prior to meeting with Dr. Humes  
13 and Boswell in April of 1993?

14 A Yes.

15 Q What did you do to prepare for those  
16 interviews?

17 A A place to meet, a time to meet, a place to  
18 stay, a length of time that might be involved, an  
19 introduction for Mr. Breo to the two pathologists, some  
20 basic study for Mr. Breo in what is forensic pathology  
21 all about, what are gunshot wounds, what are some of  
22 their distinguishing features, how does one go about  
23 looking at firearm injuries, what kinds of questions  
24 might be appropriate for the interviews, some general

1 background-type materials to read to prepare for such an  
2 interview.

3 Q What had you read about the JFK assassination  
4 prior to meeting with Dr. Humes and Dr. Boswell in  
5 Florida in April of 1992?

6 A It's not possible to answer a question like  
7 that. It dates back to 1963, and I can't recall  
8 everything I've read about the assassination since 1963.  
9 I don't have that kind of memory.

10 Q Can you identify anything specifically that you  
11 read regarding the JFK assassination prior to meeting  
12 with Dr. Humes and Dr. Boswell in Florida in April of  
13 1992?

14 A Portions of the Warren Commission Report,  
15 selected portions; the chapter in Michael Boden's book  
16 about the autopsy, basic textbook information about  
17 gunshot wounds.

18 Q Not specifically applicable to the JFK case?

19 A It may or may not be. Gunshot wounds are  
20 gunshot wounds.

21 Q Well, when you refer to the text, you are not  
22 talking about text about the JFK assassination?

23 A No.

24 Q Or text about the gunshot wounds in the

1 JFK case?

2 A No. Perhaps a few other selected things that I  
3 don't recall right offhand.

4 Q What selected portions of the Warren Commission  
5 Report had you read?

6 A I can't tell you.

7 Q When you say selected portions, are you  
8 referring to portions selected by you?

9 A Yes.

10 Q Was that something that you did to prepare for  
11 the interviews with Dr. Humes and Dr. Boswell?

12 A In part.

13 Q What do you mean?

14 A From 1965 on once in a while I would look at  
15 things out of the Warren Commission Report when  
16 something would come up about the Kennedy assassination,  
17 particularly in the last seven years.

18 I also saw the film JFK, and then I went  
19 back and saw it a second time and made notes in  
20 preparation for the interview with Boswell and Humes.

21 Q Are you saying that the second time you went to  
22 see the movie JFK to make notes was specifically  
23 intended to prepare for your interviews with Drs. Humes  
24 and Boswell in Florida in April of 1992?

1 A I am.

2 Q Was there anything else that you did with the  
3 specific purpose of preparing for those interviews?

4 A I spoke to confidential sources.

5 Q Were these people you contacted?

6 A Yes.

7 MR. BABCOCK: We've been through all that, haven't  
8 we, confidential sources this morning?

9 THE WITNESS: I think we've been through it all. I  
10 can't imagine anything else to say.

11 MR. BABCOCK: Okay.

12 BY MR. KIZZIA:

13 Q You say that you read a chapter out of  
14 Dr. Boden's book?

15 A That is true.

16 Q What is the name of that book?

17 A I don't recall.

18 Q Do you own any books concerning the JFK  
19 assassination?

20 A Yes.

21 Q Can you tell me what books you own concerning  
22 the JFK assassination?

23 A I own Crenshaw and Shaw.

24 Q Are you talking about JFK: Conspiracy of



1 Silence?

2 A Yes. I think I own it. I don't have it in my  
3 possession at the moment.

4 As a matter of fact, I'm not sure I own  
5 it, but I did have it in my possession for a time.

6 Q Anything else?

7 A I own the Boden book, but that's about a lot of  
8 things in forensic medicine. JFK is one small part of  
9 it.

10 I own a book by John Lattimer entitled  
11 Lincoln and Kennedy. I own the new book Case Closed.

12 Q Daryl Pozner's book?

13 A Yes.

14 Q Have you read that book?

15 A I've read parts of it. I haven't read all of  
16 it.

17 Q When did you come into possession of that book?

18 A Late September 1993.

19 Q Did you read selected portions of the book?

20 A Yes.

21 Q Portions selected by you?

22 A Yes.

23 Q What portions of the book did you read?

24 A I read portions having to do with the autopsy

1 findings and his report and interpretation on it.

2 I have read parts on Lee Harvey Oswald's  
3 time in the Soviet Union and his life in Dallas prior to  
4 the assassination. A few other selected parts. Those  
5 are the ones I recall.

6 Q Are there any other books on JFK assassination  
7 that you haven't mentioned that you own?

8 A Not that I can recall.

9 Q Do you know Mr. Pozner?

10 A I do not.

11 Q Have you ever spoken with him?

12 A I have not.

13 Q Did you see in his book where he said that he  
14 interviewed the autopsy physicians?

15 A I did not.

16 Q You weren't aware of that?

17 A I was aware of it.

18 Q How did you become aware of it?

19 A From a letter from a doctor who called my  
20 attention to it.

21 Q Do you have any idea how Mr. Pozner was able to  
22 obtain such interviews?

23 A No.

24 Q You weren't involved in that at all?

1 A Not at all.

2 Q Was anyone from JAMA as far as you know?

3 A I can't speak for anyone from JAMA.

4 Q Do you know of anyone else from JAMA that may  
5 have been involved?

6 A No.

7 Q When did you come into possession of  
8 Dr. Lattimer's book?

9 A In 1992.

10 Q Before or after the articles were published in  
11 the May 27th, 1992, edition?

12 A I believe after.

13 Q What about Dr. Boden's book, do you remember  
14 when you acquired that?

15 A I don't actually.

16 Q Do you know whether or not you acquired  
17 Dr. Boden's book before or after the May 27th, 1992,  
18 edition of JAMA?

19 A Before.

20 Q You said you read a chapter in the book  
21 regarding the JFK autopsy.

22 Did you read that before you met with  
23 Dr. Humes and Dr. Boswell in April of 1992?

24 A Yes.

1 Q Other than the books that you just described  
2 which you have owned or at least had possession of have  
3 you read any other books pertaining to the  
4 JFK assassination?

5 A Do you mean whole books or parts of books?

6 Q Well, let's start with whole books?

7 A Not that I can recall.

8 Q All right. How about parts of books?

9 A Yes.

10 Q Can you name any such books?

11 A Harrison Livingstone's book published this year  
12 and also one published a couple years ago.

13 I think one of them is called High Treason  
14 something or another.

15 Q Is that the one that was published a couple  
16 years ago?

17 A I think so.

18 Q Did you check that book out of the library or  
19 borrow it from somebody?

20 A No.

21 Q How did you read portions of the book if you  
22 didn't own or possess it?

23 A Which one?

24 Q Let's start with the one that was published a

1 couple years ago.

2 A I went to a bookstore where they had it for  
3 sale, and I stood there and flipped through a few pages,  
4 read them and put it back.

5 Q Were you looking for something in particular?

6 A Yes.

7 Q What were you looking for?

8 A Information about JFK autopsy and the adrenals.

9 Q Is that the only thing you were looking for?

10 A Yes.

11 Q What about his book that was published earlier  
12 this year?

13 A I have read a portion of one or two chapters  
14 which were provided to me in photocopy form as either a  
15 gift or some other purpose. I don't know. I didn't buy  
16 it.

17 Q Who provided it to you?

18 A I think Mr. Hoppe provided it to me.

19 MR. BABCOCK: Don't talk about stuff your lawyers  
20 gave you.

21 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. Lawyer/client.

22 BY MR. KIZZIA:

23 Q What chapters of Mr. Livingstone's recent book  
24 did you read?



1           A       The ones that had to do with me and the press  
2 conference. And I didn't read all of it. I just sort  
3 of skimmed it.

4           Q       Are there any other books regarding the JFK  
5 assassination that you have read portions of?

6           A       Not that I can recall.

7           Q       Prior to publication of the two articles  
8 written by Mr. Breo in the May 27th, 1992, edition of  
9 JAMA then had you only read the chapter in Dr. Boden's  
10 book pertaining to the JFK autopsy, and you hadn't read  
11 any other books or any portions of any other books  
12 pertaining to the JFK assassination?

13          A       That was not my testimony.

14          Q       Okay. Let me ask you a different way.

15                   Please tell me all books pertaining to the  
16 JFK assassination that you read in entirety or portions  
17 of prior to publication of the two articles written by  
18 Mr. Breo in the May 27th, 1992, edition of JAMA?

19          A       Crenshaw and Shaw's book, JFK: Conspiracy of  
20 Silence, Michael Boden's book of which one chapter has  
21 to do with Kennedy, portions of the Warren Commission  
22 Report, and portions of the Journal of the American  
23 Medical Association and its original report on the  
24 autopsy of JFK 25 or 28 years ago.

1                   And others that I don't recall at this  
2 time over that more than two decade span.

3           Q       When did JAMA previously publish something  
4 pertaining to the JFK autopsy?

5           A       In 1963 or '64 and shortly thereafter.

6           Q       What was published?

7           A       A medical news report journalism not long after  
8 the autopsy. And the actual autopsy itself as it was  
9 reported in the Warren Commission Report was also  
10 published in the Journal of the American Medical  
11 Association.

12                               In addition, a number of --

13           MR. BABCOCK: Wait a minute. There's no question  
14 pending, is there?

15 BY MR. KIZZIA:

16           Q       Is there anything else that you --

17           A       It's the same question.

18           MR. BABCOCK: Okay.

19 BY MR. KIZZIA:

20           Q       Is there anything else that you read prior to  
21 the publication of articles?

22           A       Yes. Other JAMA material about the autopsy in  
23 the letters column of JAMA primarily over the years,  
24 mostly having to do with the adrenal glands. End

1 of answer.

2 MR. BABCOCK: Yeah. Okay. Good. Sorry.

3 BY MR. KIZZIA:

4 Q Prior to publication of Mr. Breo's articles in  
5 the May 27th, 1992, edition of JAMA had you reviewed any  
6 other information pertaining to the JFK assassination  
7 other than what you've described in the form of books,  
8 prior JAMA publications and the movie JFK?

9 A Yes.

10 Q What?

11 A Newspaper and magazine accounts over 27 years  
12 of a variety of types none of which I can specify, but  
13 which I read.

14 Q You are talking about newspaper or magazine  
15 articles when they came out you may have read them?

16 A When they would come out or Journal articles  
17 when they would come out. And I would see them from  
18 year to year to year to year.

19 Q You are not saying that you went back in 1992  
20 and tried to read articles that had been published over  
21 that 29-year period, are you?

22 A I am in part. In 1992 I went back to some  
23 things that had been published that were available to me  
24 before and after May of '92, but mostly I'm talking

1 about simply as an every day reader reading things as  
2 they came down in a wide variety of publications over  
3 that 27 years. Not in book form.

4 And the same thing for television or radio  
5 as things would come down I would see them like anybody  
6 else.

7 Q I understand that, but I just want to be clear  
8 on this. Prior to the publication of Mr. Breo's two  
9 articles that appeared in the May 27th, 1992, edition of  
10 JAMA, and I'm talking about during the immediate  
11 preceding few months, did you go back and try to make a  
12 point of reading newspaper accounts or magazine accounts  
13 that had been published in the preceding 29 years about  
14 the JFK assassination?

15 A I did not.

16 MR. KIZZIA: Let's stop now.

17 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Going off the record. It's the  
18 end of tape two, December 28th. The time is 3:44 p.m.  
19 Tape stopped.

20 (Discussion held off the record.)

21 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Back on the record. This is  
22 the beginning of tape three, December 28th, 1993. The  
23 time is 3:58 p.m.

24

1 BY MR. KIZZIA:

2 Q Dr. Lundberg, when you said that you went back  
3 to see the movie JFK a second time to take notes, did  
4 that occur after Drs. Humes and Boswell had agreed to be  
5 interviewed?

6 A Yes.

7 Q After Dr. Humes and Dr. Boswell had agreed to be  
8 interviewed did you read or review any other information  
9 pertaining to the JFK assassination other than seeing  
10 the movie JFK a second time?

11 A No more than what I've already testified to.

12 Q Well, I don't recall you identifying anything  
13 that you did during that time frame.

14 A The Boden book chapter, a few segments of the  
15 summary portions of the Warren Commission Report.

16 Q You did go back and review those items after  
17 Dr. Humes and Dr. Boswell agreed to be interviewed?

18 A Yes.

19 Q Did you do anything else or review any other  
20 information on the JFK assassination?

21 A No.

22 Q Was Mr. Breo particularly knowledgeable in your  
23 estimation about the JFK assassination when he was given  
24 the assignment to interview Dr. Humes and Boswell and to



1 write an article pertaining to such interviews?

2 A No more than he would have been for any other  
3 assignment which he receives routinely many times  
4 a year.

5 Q Well, did you inquire of Mr. Breo what he knew  
6 about the JFK assassination?

7 A Yes.

8 Q What was his response?

9 A Some years ago when I first made efforts to get  
10 Humes and Boswell to speak to us, Mr. Breo and I spoke  
11 about the assassination, and he had some knowledge of  
12 it. He had interest in pursuing it as a journalistic  
13 enterprise.

14 Q Do you know whether or not he was well-read on  
15 the JFK case?

16 A I do not.

17 Q What did you suggest to Mr. Breo that he review  
18 or read in preparation for the interviews that he did  
19 and writing of the articles?

20 A Some basic textbooks on firearm injuries,  
21 pieces of basic textbooks, Boden's book chapter,  
22 portions of the summary of the Warren Report that dealt  
23 with the autopsy.

24 Q Anything else?

1           A     Not specifically.

2           Q     Did you suggest to him that he see the movie  
3 JFK?

4           A     I don't remember.

5           Q     Other than suggesting that he read selected  
6 portions of the Warren Commission Report and Dr. Boden's  
7 book, did you suggest that he read any other books?

8           A     Not that I recall. Well, except, as I said,  
9 some sections on firearm injuries from forensic books.

10          Q     Earlier you described the various roles that  
11 you played pertaining to the articles published in JAMA  
12 on the JFK assassinations.

13                   Did you serve as a secondary source of  
14 information for Mr. Breo pertaining to the articles that  
15 he wrote and that were published in JAMA on May 27th,  
16 1992?

17          A     I don't know what you mean by secondary source  
18 of information.

19          Q     At your presentation in Chicago on April 3rd  
20 and as demonstrated in the text of your remarks that's  
21 marked as Exhibit 57, you stated that, "I'm really not  
22 much of an expert in this at all, but my role in this is  
23 that of a journalist along with Dennis Breo of my JAMA  
24 staff. I have essentially no primary source information

1 nor do I plan any."

2 Do you remember making that statement?

3 A I do.

4 Q What did you mean when you stated that you  
5 essentially have no primary source information?

6 A I was not at the assassination. I was not at  
7 Parkland Hospital when the president was brought there.  
8 I was not at the autopsy table. I was not at the  
9 microscope looking at slides. I was not at the view box  
10 looking at X-rays.

11 I wasn't there as a primary source person  
12 for any of the information nor did I intend to become  
13 such. Not my role.

14 Q Were any of your confidential sources primary  
15 sources of information?

16 A I choose not to respond because I think it  
17 might endanger their confidentiality.

18 Q You passed on information to Mr. Breo that you  
19 say you received from confidential sources; is that  
20 right?

21 A That is true.

22 MR. BABCOCK: That's been asked and answered three  
23 or four times.

24

1 BY MR. KIZZIA:

2 Q But the point is in that regard you were a  
3 source of information for Mr. Breo and you were not a  
4 primary source of information?

5 MR. BABCOCK: That's two questions.

6 THE WITNESS: I was a source of information for  
7 Mr. Breo, and I was not a primary source of information,  
8 that is true.

9 BY MR. KIZZIA:

10 Q So you were a secondary source of information  
11 for Mr. Breo?

12 A Not necessarily.

13 Q How would you describe your role as a source of  
14 information for Mr. Breo in his writing of the articles  
15 that were published in JAMA on May 27th, 1992?

16 A I am a physician. Mr. Breo is not. I'm a  
17 pathologist. Mr. Breo is not. I am a forensic  
18 pathologist. Mr. Breo is not.

19 This provides me with multiple decades of  
20 learning, knowledge, experience and judgment to apply to  
21 a medical/legal case.

22 I made this source of information and  
23 judgment available to Mr. Breo for preparation and also  
24 in reviewing his writing. And in the

1 interviews themselves.

2 Q Well, how would you describe the role that you  
3 served in passing on information to Mr. Breo that you  
4 received from your confidential sources?

5 A I would describe that as helpful.

6 Q You wouldn't describe that as being a secondary  
7 source?

8 A No.

9 Q Why?

10 A Secondary denotes second. I don't know, and I  
11 wouldn't choose to tell you if I were second because it  
12 might infringe upon my confidential sources.

13 Secondary doesn't just mean not primary.  
14 Secondary means second. There's tertiary, quaternary,  
15 quintanary, sextolar, etcetera.

16 Q So are you saying you may have been one of  
17 those more attenuated levels of sources?

18 A I may have been.

19 Q Are you willing to state what level of source  
20 of information you were in that regard?

21 A I am not.

22 Q Did you provide any information to Mr. Breo  
23 about Dr. Crenshaw or the book JFK: Conspiracy of  
24 Silence that were used or that was used in the articles?



1           A       I don't think so.

2           Q       When you read selected portions of the Warren  
3 Report, did that include testimony of doctors to the  
4 Warren Commission?

5           A       Yes.

6           MR. BABCOCK: But that's a vague question.

7           THE WITNESS: It's doctors.

8           MR. BABCOCK: That covers a lot of ground. That's a  
9 lot of doctors.

10          BY MR. KIZZIA:

11          Q       Did you suggest to Mr. Breo that he read any of  
12 the testimony presented to the Warren Commission by any  
13 of the physicians that he intended to interview?

14          A       Not specifically.

15          Q       Did you suggest that generally?

16          A       I suggested to Mr. Breo that he peruse relevant  
17 portions of the Warren Commission Reports of his  
18 choosing.

19          Q       You left it up to him to determine what was  
20 relevant?

21          A       Yes.

22          Q       Did you personally know any of the physicians  
23 that were the subject of Mr. Breo's interviews that  
24 culminated in the two articles that were published in

1 the May 27th, 1992, edition of JAMA --

2 MR. BABCOCK: Could you read back that question,  
3 please.

4 MR. KIZZIA: I haven't even finished it.

5 BY MR. KIZZIA:

6 Q -- before the articles were published?

7 MR. BABCOCK: Now you can read it back.

8 (Record read.)

9 MR. BABCOCK: Brad, you've gone over this before  
10 with him. You've asked him about all these, whether he  
11 talked to them, whether he knew them. You did it today,  
12 and you did it last week.

13 MR. KIZZIA: Let me clarify.

14 BY MR. KIZZIA:

15 Q You obviously met with Dr. Humes and  
16 Dr. Boswell in April of 1992, correct?

17 A I don't remember the date. It was in early  
18 1992. I didn't think it was April, but I don't  
19 remember.

20 Q Did you know Dr. Humes prior to the interview?

21 A Yes.

22 Q Did you know Dr. Boswell prior to the  
23 interview?

24 A Yes.

1 Q You did not participate in the interviews that  
2 Mr. Breo did with any of the other doctors mentioned in  
3 his articles; is that correct?

4 A That is correct.

5 Q Did you know any of them other than Dr. Rose?

6 A Yes.

7 Q Who did you know?

8 A I knew Dr. Jenkins.

9 Q How did you know Dr. Jenkins?

10 A Through his role in the House of Delegates of  
11 the American Medical Association.

12 Q Were you and Dr. Jenkins friends?

13 A We were acquaintances, professional colleagues.

14 Q How long had you all been acquaintances and  
15 professional colleagues?

16 A Five or six years.

17 Q Now you said you did speak with Dr. Rose prior  
18 to the publication of the articles?

19 A Yes.

20 Q Was that by telephone?

21 A Yes.

22 Q Did he call you or did you call him?

23 A I called him.

24 Q Did you know Dr. Rose before you called him?



1     agreed to an interview with Mr. Breo if Mr. Breo would  
2     go to Iowa to his home. So he did.

3           Q     What was your understanding of Dr. Rose's  
4     reluctance to speak about the case?

5           A     Mr. Kizzia, I don't reside in other peoples'  
6     heads, and that includes Dr. Rose. I don't know.

7           Q     He didn't give you any information to explain  
8     that?

9           A     Not that I ever figured out.

10          Q     What was your understanding of the reluctance  
11     of Drs. Humes and Boswell to speak about the JFK case?

12          A     I never could figure it out.

13          Q     Still have no understanding about that?

14          A     Dr. Humes told me that he did the work, wrote  
15     his report, the Warren Commission had its findings he  
16     testified.

17                   He testified to the other investigations  
18     when required. He said that's enough. I've done it.  
19     Why should I do it again? That's what he said for the  
20     better part of seven years.

21          Q     How did you -- Strike that.

22                   Did you talk him out of that position at  
23     some point?

24          A     Did I what?



1 Q Talk him out of that position at some point?

2 A It would seem so.

3 Q How did you do that? How did you accomplish  
4 that?

5 A Genius and persistent.

6 MR. BABCOCK: Let's not get flippant now.

7 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry.

8 MR. WATLER: It's late in the day. A little  
9 flippancy is all right.

10 MR. BABCOCK: You are entitled to one flippancy at  
11 this point.

12 THE WITNESS: Persistence, tenacity --

13 MR. BABCOCK: With a dab of genius.

14 THE WITNESS: Insistence that he owed future  
15 generations that -- his experiences, his remembrances,  
16 his observations around that day and everything since  
17 then beyond the pages of a medical journal in medical  
18 libraries for his colleagues, other doctors, to be able  
19 to refer to.

20 And after awhile he came to say that that  
21 was a good idea, but he wouldn't do it. And that worked  
22 its way over years into, "I'll do it."

23 But not until the movie JFK had been seen  
24 by his children who told him about it, and then he said,

1 "I'll do it."

2 Q Whose decision was it to have Mr. Breo write  
3 the articles that were published in JAMA on May 27th,  
4 1992?

5 A It was my decision with the agreement of  
6 Mr. Breo to take that on as an assignment.

7 Q Why did you decide to publish a piece of  
8 journalism concerning the JFK assassination as opposed  
9 to a medical article?

10 A The autopsy doctors, Dr. Humes, Dr. Boswell,  
11 Dr. Finck refused to write a medical article for JAMA or  
12 anywhere else. I asked them to for years. They  
13 wouldn't do it.

14 Q Did you ask any other physician to do a medical  
15 article about the JFK case other than Drs. Humes,  
16 Boswell and Dr. Rose?

17 MR. BABCOCK: That's not what he said. He didn't  
18 say Rose, did he?

19 THE WITNESS: It was Finck.

20 MR. BABCOCK: Finck, yeah.

21 BY MR. KIZZIA:

22 Q You said earlier --

23 A I asked Rose as well.

24 Q -- that you did ask Rose to write an article.

1           A     About his experiences, yeah.

2           Q     Did you ask any other physician to write an  
3 article pertaining to the JFK case?

4           A     Before May 1992?

5           Q     Yes.

6           A     No.

7           Q     But why didn't you have some physician write  
8 the articles as opposed to Mr. Breo who was not a  
9 physician?

10          MR. BABCOCK: Are you talking about this article or  
11 a hypothetical research article?

12          MR. KIZZIA: No. I'm talking about the articles  
13 that were published on May 27th, 1992, in JAMA.

14          MR. BABCOCK: So why did you choose Breo, a  
15 nonphysician, I think, is his question.

16          THE WITNESS: Mr. Breo is, in my opinion, a world  
17 class medical reporter with 25 years experience of  
18 writing up interviews with important people.

19                   He, in my judgment, has done that better  
20 than anybody else I ever saw and so he was the logical  
21 choice from my staff to do that.

22                   I have no physician on my staff with that  
23 kind of experience with this kind of writing.

24

1 BY MR. KIZZIA:

2 Q Did you play any role in writing of the  
3 articles?

4 A No.

5 Q Before I forget, after May of 1992 did you ask  
6 any physician to write an article for JAMA pertaining to  
7 the JFK assassination?

8 A JAMA has a policy of willingness to receive  
9 articles from anybody about anything. And I may have in  
10 the course of making a statement like that, which I  
11 often make, made a general invitation to any number of  
12 people to say why don't you write an article about that.

13 This could have applied to this subject as  
14 it applies to many things. I have no specific  
15 recollection of requesting such with one exception.

16 And that was the editorial that I  
17 published written by Charles Petty from Dallas.

18 And even in that situation it was more a  
19 volunteer effort on his part than it was my request.

20 In general I didn't specifically ask  
21 anybody to write articles about this subject except for  
22 the people who were closest to it, doctors closest to  
23 it.

24 Q Who are you referring to?

1 A Boswell, Humes, Finck later and Rose.

2 Q Who all was involved in editing of the two  
3 articles that Mr. Breo wrote that were published in JAMA  
4 on May 27th, 1992?

5 A Dr. Glass, who's supervisor, me a little bit  
6 and copy editors presumed.

7 MR. BABCOCK: We've been over the copy editors.

8 BY MR. KIZZIA:

9 Q Describe what you did in connection with the  
10 editing of those two articles?

11 A I read drafts in good form, made a few  
12 suggestions, a few comments.

13 Q Do you remember any suggestions or comments  
14 that you made?

15 A No.

16 Q Was or were the two articles that were  
17 published in JAMA on May 27th, 1992, that were written  
18 by Mr. Breo peer reviewed?

19 A Yes.

20 Q Who peer reviewed the articles?

21 A As I believe has already been testified,  
22 Dr. Glass as a physician, Dr. Lundberg as a forensic  
23 pathologist and an appropriate attorney.

24 Q Are you saying that the attorney was part of



1 the peer review process?

2 A I am.

3 Q Is an attorney normally part of the peer review  
4 process for articles published in JAMA?

5 A It depends on how you define normal.

6 Q How would you define normal? I'm just asking  
7 about the usual course of business.

8 A Attorneys are frequently part of the review  
9 process for JAMA as a routine. Normal to a pathologist  
10 means galcian (phonetic) curve reference ranges.

11 Attorneys are not in the center of a  
12 galcian curve reference ranges, but they are frequently  
13 reviewers for us.

14 I have about ten thousand reviewers in our  
15 reviewer file. Many are attorneys, and they frequently  
16 function as reviewers for us, peer reviewers. It  
17 depends on the subject.

18 Q Why would you describe an attorney as a peer of  
19 Mr. Breo?

20 A I guess we have to go back to the English  
21 definition of peer. I remember I had trouble once  
22 getting peer reviewers for the Pope. So I guess we  
23 broadened the definition a little.

24 Q Who do you mean when you say we?

1 A The editorial we, JAMA and our staff.

2 Q So when you refer to peer review, does peer  
3 really mean anything?

4 A It sure does.

5 Q What does it mean?

6 A Reviewed by experts inside or outside the  
7 editorial office to advise the editor what to do with  
8 the manuscript.

9 Q Are you then saying that the word peer as used  
10 by JAMA and its editorial staff refers to expert?

11 A Experts in specific fields in which the  
12 information lies.

13 Q What was it about Mr. Breo's May 27th, 1992,  
14 articles concerning the JFK assassination that in your  
15 estimation required expert legal review?

16 A As I recall, homicide is a felony in this  
17 country and the investigation of it is frequently done  
18 by lawyers.

19 Q Is that why Mr. Breo's articles were submitted  
20 to legal counsel for review?

21 A One reason.

22 Q Any other reason?

23 MR. BABCOCK: Be careful about the other reasons  
24 because if it calls for you to reveal conversations with

1 your lawyer don't do it.

2 THE WITNESS: Yeah, I agree. I don't intend to.

3 BY MR. KIZZIA:

4 Q I'm not asking for you to reveal any  
5 confidential attorney/client communication.

6 MR. BABCOCK: And I'm not instructing him not to  
7 answer. I'm just telling him that that question could  
8 call for an attorney/client conversation. It may not.  
9 But it could as well. I'm just cautioning him. That's  
10 all.

11 THE WITNESS: Since I didn't participate in any of  
12 those conversations I really don't know what happened.

13 BY MR. KIZZIA:

14 Q Who made the decision to submit the article to  
15 legal counsel for review?

16 A I don't think I have to tell you that.

17 Q Do you know?

18 A Probably not.

19 Q It wasn't you, I take it?

20 A No, it wasn't me.

21 Q Whose idea was it to publish articles in JAMA  
22 pertaining to the JFK assassination in 1992?

23 A Mine.

24 Q Anybody else involved in that decision? The

1 decision to do it, not the decision as to what was to be  
2 said. I'm talking about the original decision to embark  
3 on that project.

4 A To embark on the project was my idea, solely my  
5 idea.

6 Q What was the purpose?

7 A The purpose was to provide the medical  
8 leadership of our Journal with the best information we  
9 could about what actually happened that day in November  
10 1963 from the eyes of the doctors who were closest, best  
11 we can tell, closest to the scene and had primary  
12 knowledge of it, and to put this into our medical  
13 Journal so that it would be available to physicians,  
14 pathologists, historians and anyone else who wished to  
15 see it because of our wide readership forever, no matter  
16 what the information was.

17 Q Did you consider the articles to be of  
18 historical importance?

19 A Yes.

20 Q Did Mr. -- Strike that.

21 Were the interviews with Dr. Humes and  
22 Boswell recorded?

23 A Yes.

24 Q Did you listen to the tapes of

1 those interviews?

2 A No.

3 Q Did you listen to the tapes of any other  
4 interviews that Mr. Breo may have done?

5 A No.

6 Q Do you know whether or not those tape  
7 recordings were transcribed?

8 A To my knowledge they were not.

9 Q Was there any discussion about whether or not  
10 the tape recordings of the interviews should be  
11 preserved?

12 A Yes.

13 Q What were those discussions?

14 A We normally don't preserve them so we followed  
15 normal procedure.

16 Q But you said in this case there were some  
17 discussions about it?

18 A There was.

19 Q Between whom?

20 A Attorney/client.

21 Q You are saying the discussions were between you  
22 and counsel or are you saying that you don't want to  
23 answer the question because you feel like it would  
24 reveal a confidential attorney/client communication?



1           A       I feel that I did not participate in such  
2 discussions, but I believe attorney/client communication  
3 would be invaded by pursuing this line of questioning.

4           Q       Do you know who participated in such  
5 discussions?

6           A       No.

7           Q       Well, then what makes you think that it would  
8 violate the attorney/client communication?

9           A       I believe there was such conversation.

10          Q       Were these conversations before the articles  
11 were published on May 27th, 1992?

12          A       Yes.

13          Q       Just to make sure that I didn't overlook  
14 something, when you said that an attorney was part of  
15 the peer review process pertaining to Mr. Breo's  
16 articles that were published in JAMA on May 27th, 1992,  
17 were you saying that an AMA attorney reviewed the  
18 articles before they were published?

19               MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.  
20 I'm not sure you correctly characterized his prior  
21 testimony.

22                       Go ahead and answer if you can.

23               THE WITNESS: Yes.

24

1 BY. MR. KIZZIA:

2 Q I just wanted to make sure that that review  
3 that was done by an attorney as part of the peer review  
4 process was done before the articles were published?

5 A Yes.

6 MR. BABCOCK: But this characterization of peer  
7 review process, I don't want there to be confusion in  
8 the record. It's my understanding that the attorney was  
9 reviewing the articles as an attorney, not as an editor  
10 or some other functionary.

11 If you have a different understanding,  
12 tell him. But let's not let the record get confused  
13 here because he's throwing in this peer review thing.

14 THE WITNESS: Yeah. Well, when we have peer review,  
15 peer review is review the articles for whatever the area  
16 of expertise is.

17 Lawyers expertise is legal, so that review  
18 would be for legal review.

19 MR. BABCOCK: I know the sense you are using it, but  
20 it's not clear from the record.

21 THE WITNESS: Does that clarify?

22 MR. BABCOCK: I think it probably does. And also I  
23 think you said you weren't involved in that process, but  
24 that's okay.

1 BY MR. KIZZIA:

2 Q Who was involved in the formulation of the  
3 questions to be asked of the doctors during their  
4 interviews?

5 A Mr. Breo and I.

6 Q Anyone else?

7 A Dr. Glass.

8 Q Anyone else?

9 A No.

10 Q Who else was at the autopsy of President  
11 Kennedy at Bethesda Naval Hospital on November 22, 1963,  
12 other than Drs. Humes, Boswell and Finck?

13 A I don't know. Many names are listed in various  
14 sources. I have no personal knowledge of any of them.

15 Q Can you from any source from which you obtained  
16 such information name any other such person who was  
17 present at the autopsy?

18 A I believe there's some names in Breo's  
19 articles. The only one that comes to my mind at the  
20 moment was a radiologist named Ebersole (phonetic), I  
21 believe, or something like that. And I believe the  
22 president's personal physician Navy admiral was there or  
23 so I was told.

24 Q What was his name?

1           A       I'm blocking his name at the moment. It's in  
2 the article.

3           Q       Can you name anyone else that was present at  
4 the autopsy?

5           A       Not from my head at this time although  
6 obviously there are good records of that.

7           Q       Earlier you said that you had read some  
8 selected portions of the Warren Report?

9           A       If I said that, I misspoke. I read selected  
10 portions of summaries of the Warren Report. I've never  
11 read from the massive 36-volume or however many there  
12 are. I've never read from that at all.

13                       I've only read selected portions that were  
14 from a collection, an abridgement perhaps or selection  
15 from the main volumes.

16           Q       In order to facilitate your finding the  
17 selected portion that you wanted to read, did you resort  
18 to an index?

19           A       I don't recall. I probably more likely just  
20 flipped around a bit.

21           Q       Why wasn't Dr. Ebersole, the radiologist,  
22 interviewed?

23           A       We interviewed the pathologist who did the  
24 autopsy. We didn't interview the radiologist or others

1 there. We chose to limit our interviews to the  
2 pathologist at the autopsy.

3 Q Why did you choose to --

4 A I'm a pathologist. I figure they had the  
5 primary source information more than anyone else would,  
6 and we choose not to extend the circle.

7 Q Why did you choose not to do so?

8 A Because we thought the most important  
9 information would be from the pathologist, and that's  
10 where we chose to stop.

11 Q When you say we chose not to interview --

12 A The editorial we, me and Mr. Breo.

13 Q Who were the members of the trauma team that  
14 provided emergency treatment to President Kennedy at  
15 Parkland Hospital on November 22nd, 1963?

16 A I'm not sure.

17 Q Who can you name?

18 A I can name Dr. Jenkins.

19 Q You know him --

20 A I know him.

21 Q He's a friend of yours?

22 A Uh-huh. An acquaintance and a colleague.

23 Q Who else can you name?

24 A Dr. Carrico.



1 Q Whom you've never met or spoken with; is that  
2 right?

3 A That is correct. Dr. McClelland. There are a  
4 couple others in the second Breo, but I don't remember  
5 the names at the moment. And I believe Dr. Robin Jones.

6 Q Who was Dr. Jones?

7 A Dr. Robin Jones is a surgeon in Dallas who was  
8 a member of the team taking care of the president.

9 Q Can you name anyone else?

10 A Dr. Crenshaw states that he was, and I've heard  
11 there's evidence to that effect.

12 Q Who have you heard that from?

13 A Various letter writers and others, including  
14 Dr. Crenshaw.

15 Q Can you name anyone else?

16 A Those are the ones who come to mind at the  
17 moment.

18 Q You know that there were a number of physicians  
19 including those that you just named who were on the  
20 trauma team that participated to some degree in the  
21 efforts to save President Kennedy's life at Parkland  
22 Hospital?

23 A Yes.

24 Q And you know that that team was much larger

1 than the group of physicians that Mr. Breo ultimately  
2 interviewed?

3 A I don't know the size of the team.

4 Q You know that it was larger than the number  
5 of --

6 A I'm sure Mr. Breo did not interview all the  
7 people, but I don't know how many people there were.

8 Q Were you involved in the decision as to which  
9 physicians to interview and which ones not to interview?

10 And I'm talking about of the physicians  
11 who were on the trauma team at Parkland Hospital on  
12 November 22nd, 1963?

13 A In part.

14 Q Could you explain your role?

15 A Working through Dr. Rose and Dr. Jenkins  
16 Mr. Breo chose who to interview. I did not. But I did  
17 refer him to Dr. Jenkins because I knew him.

18 And when I heard that he was -- I don't  
19 remember where I heard. I heard from somewhere that he  
20 was the anesthesiologist in the team, I used the fact  
21 that I knew him as a way for Mr. Breo to contact him.

22 The other arrangements, to my knowledge,  
23 were made by Mr. Breo and not by me nor did I direct nor  
24 approve. He simply did the ones he could at

1 his discretion.

2 Q Do you know Dr. Jones' full name?

3 A No, but -- I don't know his full name. Like  
4 his middle name and all? No.

5 Q Did you ever call Dr. Jenkins to put Mr. Breo  
6 in touch with him?

7 A I don't recall calling him, no.

8 MR. KIZZIA: Let's go off the record for a second.

9 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Camera off, 4:45 p.m.

10 (Recess had.)

11 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Back on the record, 4:51 p.m.

12 BY MR. KIZZIA:

13 Q Dr. Lundberg, when you referred to Dr. Jones  
14 earlier, were you referring to Dr. Ronald C. or  
15 Ronald Coy Jones?

16 A I believe so.

17 Q How is it that you remember Dr. Jones' name  
18 when he is not referred to in Mr. Breo's article?

19 A I appeared with him on CBS This Morning.

20 MR. BABCOCK: The program CBS This Morning, not  
21 today, right?

22 THE WITNESS: I have appeared with him -- No, not  
23 today and also not -- On the television program  
24 CBS This Morning out of New York.

1 BY MR. KIZZIA:

2 Q When did that appearance on CBS This Morning  
3 program occur?

4 A May 20th, 1992.

5 Q Was that the first time that you had met  
6 Dr. Jones?

7 A Yes.

8 Q Other than Dr. Jenkins had you met any other  
9 member of the Parkland trauma team who participated in  
10 the efforts to save President Kennedy?

11 And I'm talking about met them before the  
12 Breo articles were written.

13 A Not that I recall, but if the list is a long  
14 one, I know a lot of people, and I might have met them  
15 and not realized it.

16 Q As far as you know, have you spoken with any of  
17 them other than Dr. Jenkins before the articles were  
18 written?

19 A Not as I recall.

20 Q Did you speak with any of them about the JFK  
21 assassination?

22 A No, except for Ron Jones obviously with whom I  
23 appeared on CBS This Morning.

24 Q But that occurred on May 20th, 1992?

1 A That is correct.

2 Q That was after the articles were written?

3 A That is correct.

4 Q That was after your press conference or your  
5 remarks at the press conference on May 19th, 1992?

6 A That is true.

7 Q When did you first learn that Mr. Breo did not  
8 intend to or had not tried to interview Dr. Crenshaw?

9 A I suppose in April -- My best recollection is  
10 April 1992.

11 Q What is the basis for your stating that to be  
12 your best recollection?

13 A Well, that's when the articles were being  
14 written and when the interviews were being done and  
15 Dr. Crenshaw was not one of the interviewees.

16 Q How was it brought to your attention that he  
17 did not try to interview Dr. Crenshaw or that he did not  
18 intend to try to interview Dr. Crenshaw?

19 A I believe he told me.

20 Q Was this after he had written the articles?

21 A I don't recall at what stage they were.

22 Q What did he tell you?

23 A That he was not going to interview  
24 Dr. Crenshaw.



1 Q Is that because you asked him about it or he  
2 just brought it up himself?

3 A I don't remember for sure.

4 Q What reason or reasons did he give for not  
5 trying to interview Dr. Crenshaw?

6 THE WITNESS: May I consult with counsel?

7 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Audio off, 4:55.

8 (Discussion held off the record.)

9 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Audio back on, 4:56.

10 THE WITNESS: It's my recollection that Mr. Breo  
11 felt that Dr. Crenshaw's position was well-stated  
12 already in print and widely distributed and was not in  
13 need of restatement.

14 In addition, it's my recollection that  
15 Mr. Breo saw legal counsel and acted in part on  
16 recommendation of legal counsel.

17 BY MR. KIZZIA:

18 Q Is that the same legal counsel that  
19 participated in the peer review process?

20 A I don't think I need to tell you about -- I'm  
21 claiming lawyer/client privilege here in terms of  
22 identification of legal counsel.

23 Q I'm not asking you at this point as to what was  
24 said between them.

1           A       I wasn't there. I couldn't tell you anyway.

2           MR. BABCOCK: He wants to know who the lawyer is.

3 BY MR. KIZZIA:

4           Q       I just want to know if we are talking about the  
5 same lawyer, different lawyers or what?

6           A       I don't have personal knowledge of that. I was  
7 not in attendance.

8           Q       Well, when --

9           A       You know how doctors are. They just just say  
10 get a lawyer to give you some advice.

11          Q       Did you suggest that Mr. Breo seek legal advice  
12 on that point?

13          A       No, I did not.

14          Q       Well, when Mr. Breo told you that he had sought  
15 advice of counsel, did he tell you who the attorney was  
16 that he sought advice from?

17          A       Yes, he did.

18          Q       Who was that attorney?

19          A       I --

20          MR. BABCOCK: I think he's entitled to know the  
21 identity, but not what was said.

22          THE WITNESS: It's my recollection that the name of  
23 the attorney was Betty Jean Anderson.

24

1 BY MR. KIZZIA:

2 Q Is that AMA in-house counsel?

3 A That is.

4 Q Is Betty Jean Anderson the attorney who  
5 participated in a peer review of Mr. Breo's articles?

6 MR. BABCOCK: I'm going to object and continue to  
7 object to the characterization of her role and further  
8 object that the witness has already testified that he  
9 doesn't have personal knowledge as to whether or not any  
10 particular person did or did not review these articles  
11 in the legal staff.

12 Subject to that if you know, even though  
13 you don't have firsthand knowledge, if you know if  
14 that's who it was then you can respond.

15 THE WITNESS: Then I can what?

16 MR. BABCOCK: You can respond and tell him  
17 whether --

18 THE WITNESS: I don't know who it was.

19 BY MR. KIZZIA:

20 Q Well, when I asked you who participated in the  
21 peer review of Mr. Breo's articles, the ones that were  
22 published in JAMA, May 27th, 1992, you said you,  
23 Dr. Glass and an attorney.

24 Who was that attorney?

1           A       I don't have personal knowledge of who that  
2 attorney was.

3           Q       What is your understanding as to who it was or  
4 who do you understand to be the attorney that  
5 participated in that review?

6           A       It is my understanding from hearsay that Betty  
7 Jean Anderson was that reviewer.

8           Q       Do you know whether or not Mr. Breo did any  
9 research into Dr. Crenshaw's involvement on the Parkland  
10 trauma team on November 22nd, 1963?

11          A       I do not know.

12          Q       Did you yourself do any research?

13          A       I did not.

14          Q       Do you know of anyone with JAMA or the AMA that  
15 did?

16          A       I don't know.

17          Q       Did you do any independent verification of  
18 anything that Mr. Breo stated in his articles?

19          A       Yes.

20          Q       What did you do?

21          A       I reviewed them. I independently verified what  
22 he reported from the interviews with Humes and Boswell  
23 because I was there.

24          Q       Did you do anything else?

1 A No.

2 Q When you say that you did an independent  
3 verification of what Mr. Breo said about his interviews  
4 with Drs. Humes and Lundberg, was your verification  
5 based upon your recollection or did you go to notes  
6 you'd made or to the tape recordings?

7 A I've already testified I did not listen to the  
8 tape recordings. I worked from memory.

9 Q As far as you know, did anyone else from JAMA  
10 do anything to verify statements made by Mr. Breo in his  
11 articles that were published in JAMA on May 27th, 1992?

12 A I do not know.

13 Q Does anyone from JAMA have that job?

14 A What job?

15 Q To verify statements made in articles?

16 A I guess the answer depends upon what article  
17 you are talking about.

18 Q Please explain your answer.

19 MR. BABCOCK: Well, his answer is his answer.

20 MR. KIZZIA: Well, he says it depends, so I want to  
21 know what --

22 MR. BABCOCK: He says it depends on what article you  
23 are talking about. If you are asking him about the Breo  
24 article, then that's fine, he can answer that.



1                   If you are asking him about a medical  
2 research article that somebody does on the affect of  
3 cholesterol, that's probably going to get a different  
4 answer.

5 BY MR. KIZZIA:

6           Q       Is that the distinction?

7           A       That's one distinction.

8           Q       Scientific medical articles that are submitted  
9 there are people who have the assignment of trying to  
10 verify statements made in the articles; is that right?

11          A       That's called peer reviewers and editors.

12          Q       What about articles written by Mr. Breo, does  
13 anyone have the job or assignment to verify statements  
14 made in his articles?

15          A       His supervisor makes a determination as to  
16 whether he believes independent verification would be  
17 required, and in general it is not.

18          Q       Under what circumstances would independent  
19 verification be required?

20          A       The question on the part of his supervisor as  
21 to whether it be required. I'm not his supervisor, and  
22 I haven't done such.

23          Q       Does JAMA have a policy, and I'm not talking  
24 about just a written policy, but a policy that pertains

1 to whether or not people discussed in JAMA articles are  
2 interviewed or contacted for comment before articles are  
3 published?

4 A There is no formal policy.

5 Q From your understanding of ethics and  
6 journalism, isn't it basically standard or customary  
7 practice for someone who is discussed in an article of  
8 journalism to be contacted -- either be interviewed or  
9 at least contacted for comment before publication?

10 MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.  
11 That calls for speculation.

12 MR. WATLER: I'll join in it.

13 BY MR. KIZZIA:

14 Q Can you answer the question?

15 A No.

16 Q Do you know whether or not there's any standard  
17 practice in journalism with regard to interviews of  
18 subjects of articles or whether or not subjects would be  
19 contacted for comment?

20 MR. BABCOCK: I'll object to the form of the  
21 question because it calls for speculation and the  
22 question assumes facts that are not in evidence. That  
23 would never be in evidence.

24

1 BY MR. KIZZIA:

2 Q Can you answer the question?

3 A I don't believe there are such standards.  
4 There are practices which vary widely.

5 Q Vary widely?

6 A Practices which vary widely.

7 Q Do you think as an editor generally speaking  
8 that people who are discussed in articles, and  
9 particularly critical articles, that they should be  
10 interviewed or at least contacted for comment before  
11 publication of their article?

12 MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.  
13 It calls for speculation. Every situation is different.

14 THE WITNESS: I believe this is a matter of  
15 editorial judgment.

16 BY MR. KIZZIA:

17 Q All right.

18 Based upon your editorial judgment do you  
19 think that as a general rule persons who are criticized  
20 in articles of journalism should be interviewed or at  
21 least contacted for comment before publication of the  
22 article?

23 MR. BABCOCK: He just said there was no general rule  
24 so how can you ask him as a general rule.

1                   Object to the question.

2           THE WITNESS: I don't believe there is such a  
3 general rule.

4 BY MR. KIZZIA:

5           Q       That's your editorial judgment?

6           MR. BABCOCK: That's his testimony.

7           THE WITNESS: That's my testimony.

8 BY MR. KIZZIA:

9           Q       Is that also your editorial judgment?

10          MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.  
11 We are comparing apples and oranges.

12          THE WITNESS: My editorial judgment is that  
13 circumstances vary greatly and one behaves depending  
14 upon those circumstances.

15 BY MR. KIZZIA:

16          Q       Why wasn't someone very knowledgeable about the  
17 JFK assassination assigned to review Mr. Breo's articles  
18 before they were published in JAMA on May 27, 1992?

19          MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.

20                   Go ahead.

21          THE WITNESS: The nature of journalistic articles in  
22 JAMA such as Mr. Breo's is such that our standard  
23 practice does not have them set to third or fourth  
24 parties outside the building for additional review.

1                   Our standard practice was followed no  
2 more, no less, Mr. Breo's articles.

3 BY MR. KIZZIA:

4           Q       Why is that the standard practice?

5           A       Because it's been successful for so many  
6 decades.

7           Q       Successful in what regard? How do you  
8 judge success?

9           A       Readership, interest, recognition.

10          Q       Was there any discussion about whether or not  
11 the articles that Mr. Breo wrote that were published in  
12 JAMA on May 27th, 1992, should be submitted to someone  
13 very knowledgeable about the JFK assassination for  
14 review prior to publication?

15          A       No.

16          Q       So that was not even considered?

17          A       It wasn't even considered.

18          Q       At the conference in Chicago on April 3rd of  
19 1993 did you bring and allow the audience to take copies  
20 of the JAMA articles?

21          A       I believe some were brought. I don't remember  
22 which ones.

23          Q       Were these reprints of the articles?

24          A       My recollection is that reprints or whole



1 issues of the Journal for the three issues that dealt  
2 with the autopsy and its findings, namely, in May 1992,  
3 October '92 and April '93 were brought for attendees at  
4 this conference to be able to have for their own use if  
5 they wished.

6 Q Were those reprints or just copies?

7 A I don't rightly remember. It may have been  
8 some of each including some of --

9 MR. BABCOCK: Don't speculate.

10 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry. There were some reprints,  
11 there were some copies, and there were some whole issues  
12 of JAMA, but I don't remember which was which.

13 BY MR. KIZZIA:

14 Q By that time, Dr. Lundberg, you knew that  
15 Dr. Crenshaw had voiced objection to what he claimed to  
16 be false impressions created by the articles about it,  
17 right?

18 MR. BABCOCK: That's a question. Did you know that?

19 THE WITNESS: Yes I knew that.

20 BY MR. KIZZIA:

21 Q But you still chose to distribute copies of the  
22 articles at that conference notwithstanding that?

23 A I chose to make available various copies, but  
24 I've testified that I don't remember which ones or how

1 many of which or in which form they were.

2 Q Did you say anything at the conference in  
3 Chicago to correct or clarify anything that had been  
4 stated about Dr. Crenshaw in the May 27th, 1992,  
5 articles?

6 MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.  
7 It assumes there was anything that needed correcting.  
8 Go ahead and answer.

9 THE WITNESS: I made no statements or comments  
10 regarding Dr. Crenshaw.

11 BY MR. KIZZIA:

12 Q Why did you choose to distribute copies of  
13 articles that contained statements about Dr. Crenshaw  
14 that he had already brought to your attention to be in  
15 controversy?

16 MR. BABCOCK: Whoa. Read that back.

17 (Record read.)

18 MR. BABCOCK: That's not exactly what he said  
19 before, but go ahead.

20 THE WITNESS: The JAMA deals with controversial  
21 matters every week. Very little we publish is not in  
22 controversy.

23 The fact that something is controversial  
24 does not prevent us from publishing or distributing

1 such information.

2 BY MR. KIZZIA:

3 Q Well, the controversial subjects that you refer  
4 to don't normally deal with an individual or  
5 individual's reputation, do they?

6 MR. BABCOCK: I object to the form of the question.  
7 That assumes this one does.

8 But go ahead.

9 THE WITNESS: The controversies we deal with in JAMA  
10 have no defined limits and may deal with almost  
11 anything.

12 MR. KIZZIA: Objection, nonresponsive.

13 BY MR. KIZZIA:

14 Q You said something to the effect that JAMA  
15 publishes articles on controversial subjects on a weekly  
16 basis.

17 MR. BABCOCK: He said almost every week.

18 THE WITNESS: Almost every week.

19 BY MR. KIZZIA:

20 Q You are not suggesting that almost every week  
21 JAMA publishes an article that calls into question an  
22 individual's integrity or attacks their reputation, are  
23 you?

24 MR. BABCOCK: He can't possibly answer that without

1 going back and looking at the various issues. And  
2 attacks the reputation is such a broad term.

3 THE WITNESS: I can't answer that question.

4 BY MR. KIZZIA:

5 Q Well, would you say that that is a customary  
6 subject of JAMA editions?

7 MR. BABCOCK: What is?

8 MR. KIZZIA: An individual's credibility or  
9 reputation.

10 THE WITNESS: Yes.

11 BY MR. KIZZIA:

12 Q Can you give me another example of a JAMA  
13 article published since May 27th, 1992, that is  
14 comparable to the kind of journalistic treatment that  
15 was given to Dr. Crenshaw in Mr. Breo's articles that  
16 were published in JAMA on May 27th, 1992?

17 MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.  
18 That's so much in the eye of the beholder. How can he  
19 possibly answer a question like that?

20 THE WITNESS: I can't answer that question.

21 BY MR. KIZZIA:

22 Q Prior to distributing the copies of the JAMA  
23 articles at the conference in Chicago on April 3rd,  
24 1993, did you give any consideration as to whether or

1 not the articles were or may have been damaging to  
2 Dr. Crenshaw's reputation?

3 A Yes.

4 Q What consideration did you give them?

5 A Due consideration to his express concerns,  
6 concerns expressed by his legal counsel and a desire to  
7 assuage his concerns in any reasonable way.

8 Q How did you try to assuage his concerns?

9 A By publishing something from him in publishable  
10 form that would give him his time, his space to state  
11 his understanding, his point of view, on the pages of  
12 our Journal.

13 Q JAMA hasn't published anything submitted by or  
14 on behalf of Dr. Crenshaw, has it?

15 A It has not.

16 Q Last week you said that you knew Dr. Lawrence  
17 Altman?

18 A That is true.

19 Q Is he a friend of yours?

20 A As I testified last week, he's a fellow  
21 physician, a fellow journalist and probably would be  
22 called a friend.

23 Q Do you subscribe to the New York Times?

24 A I do.



1 Q Did you read Dr. Altman's articles that were  
2 published in the New York Times on May 20th and May  
3 26th, 1992, pertaining to the press conference that you  
4 participated in and to the JAMA articles?

5 A I did.

6 Q Did you read those articles at or near the time  
7 that they were published in the New York Times?

8 A I did.

9 Q So you became aware on or about May 20th, 1992,  
10 that Dr. Altman had expressed some criticism of the JAMA  
11 articles?

12 MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.  
13 If you are going to ask him to comment about an article  
14 that's a couple years old, I think he should be given an  
15 opportunity to look at it.

16 THE WITNESS: I agree with counsel.

17 BY MR. KIZZIA:

18 Q Do you remember anything critical that  
19 Dr. Altman said in his articles and particularly with  
20 regard to JAMA's treatment of Dr. Crenshaw?

21 A My sketchy remembrance a year and a half later  
22 was that Dr. Altman found substantial fault with  
23 Dr. Crenshaw's book and Dr. Crenshaw's participation in  
24 the book.

1 Q Is that all you recall about his articles?

2 A No.

3 Q What else do you recall?

4 A I recall that the article on the 20th reported  
5 on the JAMA articles, the press conference and generally  
6 reported directly and/or supported the JAMA findings and  
7 reports, but criticized the lack of a comment by  
8 Dr. Crenshaw within one of the Breo pieces.

9 Q You mean criticized the fact that Dr. Crenshaw  
10 had not been interviewed or contacted for comment?

11 MR. BABCOCK: Well, the article says what it says.

12 MR. KIZZIA: Well, I want to know what he meant by  
13 what he just said.

14 MR. BABCOCK: What possible good is his recollection  
15 about -- Why don't you show him the article. Get him to  
16 comment on it.

17 THE WITNESS: I'm working from fuzzy memory, and I  
18 don't think I should go further.

19 BY MR. KIZZIA:

20 Q Let me show you what or I'll ask you to look at  
21 the article that's marked as Exhibit 3III.

22 Do you recognize Deposition Exhibit 3III  
23 as a copy of one of Dr. Altman's articles that appeared  
24 in the New York Times in May 1992?

1           A       I do.

2           Q       I refer you to the last paragraph in the first  
3 column which is on the far left where it says that "The  
4 merit of the book aside it turns out that the Journal's  
5 research was less than thorough. It did not try to  
6 interview Dr. Crenshaw."

7                   Do you see that?

8           A       I do.

9           Q       Was that what you were referring to as the  
10 critical statement about not obtaining a comment from  
11 Dr. Crenshaw?

12          A       Yes.

13          Q       Then going on it states further that, "Although  
14 the Dallas doctors told the Journal they never saw  
15 Dr. Crenshaw in Kennedy's trauma room, two actually had  
16 told the Warren Commission that he was a member of the  
17 team."

18                   Do you see that?

19          A       I do.

20          Q       Do you respect the views of Dr. Altman?

21          MR. BABCOCK: Generally?

22          MR. KIZZIA: Yeah, we'll start out with generally.

23          THE WITNESS: Yes. MR. BABCOCK: Wait a minute.

24          That's too broad.

1 BY MR. KIZZIA:

2 Q Did you have respect for his comments that are  
3 contained in the article that's marked as Exhibit 3III?

4 MR. BABCOCK: Object to the form of the question.  
5 His respect for. That doesn't make sense to me.

6 Maybe it does to you. If it does, answer  
7 it.

8 THE WITNESS: I respect Dr. Altman's work, and I  
9 respect his medical reporting in this article.

10 BY MR. KIZZIA:

11 Q Did you do anything to try to verify whether or  
12 not what Dr. Altman said about the testimony of  
13 physicians to the Warren Commission concerning  
14 Dr. Crenshaw's involvement on the trauma team?

15 A Yes.

16 Q What did you do to verify that?

17 A I asked Mr. Breo to check into whether  
18 somewhere in one of those volumes of the Warren  
19 Commission whether that was there.

20 Q You didn't do it yourself?

21 A I did not.

22 Q Did Mr. Breo report back to you?

23 A He did.

24 Q And what did he tell you?

1           A       He said that there were some mentions of  
2 Crenshaw's name in some of the volumes at the Warren  
3 Commission.

4           Q       Did you give any consideration to publishing a  
5 clarification on that point?

6           A       No.

7           Q       Why not?

8           A       We don't publish clarifications.

9           Q       Did you give any consideration to publishing a  
10 correction on that point?

11          A       Yes.

12          Q       Was that around the time of your having read  
13 Dr. Altman's article in May 1992?

14          A       Yes.

15          Q       Why did you ask Mr. Breo to go check to see if  
16 Dr. Crenshaw was mentioned in testimony before the  
17 Warren Commission?

18          A       What's the last part of your question?

19          Q       Why did you ask Mr. Breo to go and check to see  
20 if Dr. Crenshaw was mentioned in testimony before the  
21 Warren Commission?

22          A       To see if he was.

23          Q       Why did you want to know?

24          A       To see whether there had been such testimony



1 and whether Dr. Altman's statement was correct.

2 Q And it turns out there had been that testimony,  
3 Dr. Altman's statement in that record was correct?

4 MR. BABCOCK: Compound question. Let's answer one  
5 at a time.

6 BY MR. KIZZIA:

7 Q It turned out that there had been  
8 that testimony?

9 A According to what Mr. Breo told me.

10 Q Which in your mind verified what Dr. Altman had  
11 said?

12 A Yes.

13 MR. BABCOCK: Wait a minute. What did Altman say  
14 that verified it?

15 THE WITNESS: In this one spot in this one paragraph  
16 in this one article.

17 BY MR. KIZZIA:

18 Q So what, if anything, did you do with this  
19 information you received from Mr. Breo to verify that  
20 point made by Dr. Altman?

21 A I reviewed what Mr. Breo had written in his  
22 article and determined that it was factually correct as  
23 stated and did not warrant a correction or a retraction.

24 Q Did you make that review in May of 1992?

1 A I don't remember exactly when it was.

2 Q Can you tell me approximately when it was?

3 A 1992.

4 Q Sometime in 1992?

5 A Yeah.

6 Q Near the bottom, actually the last sentence of  
7 the second column of Dr. Altman's article that's Exhibit  
8 3III it refers to Dr. Crenshaw's participation on the  
9 team that tried to resuscitate Lee Harvey Oswald after  
10 he was shot on November 24th, 1963, do you see that?

11 A I do.

12 Q And he refers to a telephone call from someone  
13 purporting to be President Johnson?

14 A It does.

15 Q And then in the second full paragraph in the  
16 third column Dr. Altman stated, "In the Journal  
17 interviews Dr. Charles Baxter, the emergency room chief,  
18 denied that such a call was received by any doctor, but  
19 the denial came from a surgeon who could not have known  
20 about the call because he was not present during  
21 Oswald's surgery Dr. Crenshaw said."

22 Do you see that?

23 A I do.

24 Q And then it goes on to say, "Indeed another

1 doctor has confirmed such a call although the details  
2 and who made it are not clear."

3 Do you see that?

4 A I do.

5 Q Then he goes on to identify that doctor as  
6 Phillip E. Williams. Do you see that?

7 A Yes.

8 Q Did you do anything after you read Dr. Altman's  
9 article to try to verify that information contained in  
10 his article?

11 A I did not.

12 Q Why not?

13 A It seemed to me that this was ifs followed by  
14 ifs followed by whethers followed by speculation, and it  
15 didn't warrant a verification by us or the likelihood  
16 that we would ever be able to chase down that ghost.

17 So I didn't direct anyone to do anything.

18 Q Did you rereview Mr. Breo's articles to see  
19 exactly what was said about that point?

20 A I don't recall.

21 Q Did you ever talk to Mr. Altman about his  
22 comments about the JAMA articles that were contained in  
23 his articles that appeared in the New York Times in May  
24 1992?

1           A       I don't think so.

2           Q       Do you know whether or not any other  
3 representative of JAMA, the AMA, spoke with Dr. Altman?

4           A       I don't know.

5           Q       Other than copies of Mr. Breo's articles that  
6 may have been distributed at the press conference that  
7 you participated in on May 19th, 1992, and copies of the  
8 articles that you distributed or at least made available  
9 at the conference in Chicago on April 3rd, 1993, have  
10 you ever sent out, distributed or disseminated copies of  
11 or reprints of Mr. Breo's articles that appeared in JAMA  
12 on May 27th, 1992?

13          A       Yes.

14          Q       Could you describe any such distribution or  
15 dissemination?

16          A       Occasional individuals ask me for copies on a  
17 personal basis, and I sent such from time to time.

18          Q       Are you talking about personal friends of  
19 yours?

20          A       Friends, acquaintances. Someone who writes a  
21 letter asking for a copy.

22          Q       These are requests that you personally have  
23 responded to?

24          A       Yes.

1 Q How often would you say something like that has  
2 occurred since May 27th, 1992?

3 A Maybe 15 or 20 times in 1992.

4 Q How about 1993?

5 A I don't think any.

6 Q Did you provide any additional or supplementary  
7 information about the content of the articles when you  
8 responded to those inquiries?

9 A No.

10 Q Have there been any other distributions or  
11 disseminations of copies of the articles?

12 A I have no knowledge of that.

13 Q Then you haven't sent out copies of the  
14 articles or reprints of the articles other than what  
15 you've described?

16 A No, as I've already testified.

17 Q From time to time has JAMA been requested to  
18 give permission for republication of Mr. Breo's articles  
19 that were published in JAMA on May 27th, 1992?

20 A I haven't knowledge of that. It's not my area.

21 Q Whose area is it?

22 A Mr. Robert Kennitt (phonetic).

23 Q The same person who's in charge of reprints  
24 would be in charge of republication?



1           A       He's the publisher. People report to him who  
2 are responsible for such activities.

3           Q       Are you aware of any republications of the  
4 articles since May 27th, 1992?

5           A       Yes.

6           Q       Could you describe any such republications that  
7 you are aware of?

8           A       It's my recollection that one, two or three of  
9 the articles were republished in French JAMA,  
10 republished in Japanese in the Japanese JAMA, but I  
11 don't recall from my personal recollection which  
12 international JAMA's otherwise republished them.

13                       Also, the American Medical Association  
14 published a collection of papers on violence in book  
15 form in 1992, and the first two Breo articles were  
16 included as part of this book on violence along with  
17 dozens of other articles.

18           Q       Do you know what the name of the book is?

19           A       Violence.

20           Q       Do you know when publication of that book  
21 occurred?

22           A       1992.

23           Q       Could you be more specific?

24           A       Summer.

1 Q How long after the articles were published in  
2 JAMA on May 27th, 1992, were the articles republished in  
3 the AMA's book on violence?

4 A Summer is after June and before September 21st.  
5 Probably three or four months.

6 Q Who was in charge of that project for the AMA?

7 A Mr. Michael Springer.

8 Q What is his position with the AMA?

9 A He is associate publisher for the specialty  
10 journals.

11 Q Associate publisher?

12 A For the specialty journals.

13 Q Does he report to you?

14 A No.

15 Q Did you say last week that as editor in charge  
16 of scientific publications for the AMA you were  
17 responsible for the contents of all the specialty  
18 journals?

19 A That is true.

20 Q What was your responsibility or involvement, if  
21 any, with the publication of the book on violence by the  
22 AMA in the summer of 1992?

23 A The editorial board of the Journal of the  
24 American Medical Association and its nine specialty

1 journals and their chief editors voted in 1991 to focus  
2 on the subject of violence in America on the pages of  
3 all of them at a fixed date in common in 1992.

4 That date was June. Thus, our 11 journals  
5 published more than 100 articles on the subject of  
6 violence in America.

7 Research, clinical articles, ethics and  
8 commentary plus medical news, journalistic articles on  
9 the subject of violence in America all the same day with  
10 the same embargo date.

11 Dr. C. Everette Coupe (phonetic) and I  
12 were the coeditors of the project. A number of articles  
13 appeared in JAMA prior to the date in June 1992 of the  
14 embargo date for the entire project on a one-by-one  
15 basis.

16 Starting in spring of 1992 every week or  
17 two we published an article in JAMA on violence so as to  
18 introduce the subject to our readers and to build  
19 interest in the subject on the part of our readers and  
20 through the media on the part of the public of America  
21 about the difficulties of violence in America.

22 The two articles by Dennis Breo in the May  
23 27 JAMA served as one -- correction -- as two of the  
24 several articles we chose to publish ad seriatim for the

1 spring leading up to the press conference in Washington  
2 D.C. in June of 1992 when Dr. Coupe and I cohosted the  
3 meeting at the national press club and had other editors  
4 and authors of violence articles in JAMA brought  
5 together for the media to interview at another AMA press  
6 conference about the issue of violence in America,  
7 particularly firearm violence, gunshot violence.

8 The articles that appeared in the --

9 MR. BABCOCK: Dr. Lundberg, I don't mean to  
10 interrupt you, but that can't be responsive.

11 THE WITNESS: It is exactly responsive, yes.

12 The articles which led up to that June  
13 publication and the 11 AMA journals -- correction -- ten  
14 at that time on that were compiled into one book called  
15 Violence, and that's the answer.

16 MR. WATLER: May I ask how much longer you expect to  
17 be with the witness?

18 MR. KIZZIA: One second. Let me cover this point.

19 BY MR. KIZZIA:

20 Q You were the coeditor of that book?

21 A Dr. Coupe and I coedited the JAMA which was  
22 dedicated to violence in early June.

23 The editing of the book was -- had almost  
24 nothing to it. It was just compiling paper already in

1 print and republishing them as a compilation with  
2 Mr. Springer in charge of that.

3           These are already articles in print in ten  
4 different journals. You just put them to go, slap a  
5 cover around them.

6           Q       So you were not coeditor of the book then?

7           A       I'd have to pull the book out to see how it's  
8 indicated. I was responsible for the editorial content  
9 of all of it.

10                   Dr. Coupe shared that responsibility for  
11 the JAMA. Mr. Springer was the publisher and a couple  
12 of other editors worked with me putting it together.

13           Q       Was your permission required as editor in chief  
14 of JAMA for republication of Mr. Breo's articles that  
15 appeared in the May 27th, 1992, edition of JAMA?

16           A       Yes.

17           Q       Is there any other republication of those  
18 articles that you know of?

19           A       No.

20           Q       You said earlier that --

21           MR. WATLER: Before you get out another question,  
22 it's past 5:45. I think everyone at the table has 7:00  
23 o'clock flights at O'Hare Airport. At least among the  
24 attorneys.





1 next -- One more day of normal business hours deposition  
2 when we reconvene.

3 And the third condition is that it be done  
4 in the near future within the next two, three weeks,  
5 subject to everybody's schedule obviously.

6 And if I have correctly stated those  
7 conditions, I'd like everybody to agree to them.

8 MR. KIZZIA: I agree to them, as I told you, Chip,  
9 but I assume that that takes into consideration if by  
10 some crazy unforeseen event we can't find a mutually  
11 agreed upon date within the next two or three weeks that  
12 we are still going to be able to do it as soon as we can  
13 get such a mutually convenient date.

14 I can tell you me personally that I'll be  
15 able to do it, but I can't speak for the others.

16 MR. BABCOCK: We'll all commit to work in good faith  
17 towards that I assume.

18 MR. WATLER: Yeah. I'm agreeable to the conditions  
19 you listed.

20 MR. RICHEY: I'm agreeable also.

21 MR. BABCOCK: I think we can probably agree on  
22 behalf of Mr. Williams maybe?

23 MR. WATLER: Yes, I'm sure.

24 MR. KIZZIA: Before we go can we go back on the

1 record just for one point that I wanted to cover that  
2 was brought up?

3 MR. BABCOCK: You may make us miss planes because of  
4 this.

5 MR. KIZZIA: This is going to be real short.

6 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: We are back on the record. The  
7 time is 5:59 p.m.

8 BY MR. KIZZIA:

9 Q Dr. Lundberg, you said earlier that JAMA does  
10 not do clarifications?

11 A That is correct.

12 Q Has JAMA since you've been editor in chief ever  
13 published a clarification?

14 A Not to my memory with such a heading.

15 Q Well, is there anything that JAMA has published  
16 that's not under the heading clarification or the  
17 heading correction that may have the effect of  
18 clarifying something that was stated in the JAMA  
19 article?

20 A We publish corrections.

21 Q Have you ever had an occasion other than with  
22 regard to Mr. Breo's comments about Dr. Crenshaw, and  
23 I'm not asking you to agree that this occurred in that  
24 instant, but where something was stated that was

1 published in JAMA and which was objected to which upon  
2 review you determined to have been literally correct but  
3 may have created a false impression, have you ever had a  
4 circumstance like that?

5 MR. WATLER: I'll object to the form of the  
6 question. It calls for speculation. It assumes facts  
7 not in evidence.

8 MR. RICHEY: I'll join in the objection.

9 THE WITNESS: I don't recall.

10 MR. KIZZIA: Thank you, sir.

11 THE VIDEO OPERATOR: Off the record. It's 6:01 p.m.  
12 This concludes tape three, December 28th.

13 (Deposition recessed until 10:00 a.m.  
14 Tuesday, January 11, 1993.)  
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YOU WILL TAKE NOTICE that at 10:00am on the 28th day of December, 1993, at the offices of the American Medical Association 515 North State Street, Chicago, Illinois 60610, Plaintiffs will continue with the videotaped deposition of George Lundberg, taken upon oral examination as authorized by Rule 200, et seq., of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure. Such videotaped examination will be taken before a certified shorthand reporter authorized to take such deposition as provided in Chapter 20, Tex.Civ.Prac. and Rem. Code, and/or Chapter 52 of Title 2, Texas Government Code. The videotaped examination will continue from day to day until completed. The witness is directed to produce at the time and place above the documents described in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.





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27. True, correct, and legible copies of all versions of JAMA's Instructions for Authors that have been in effect since January 1, 1992.
28. True, correct, and legible copies of all versions of JAMA's letters policy that have been in effect since January 1, 1992.
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# Instructions for Authors



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**1. Authorship Responsibility.**—"I certify that I have participated sufficiently in the conception and design of this work and the analysis of the data (when applicable), as well as the writing of the manuscript, to take public responsibility for it. I believe the manuscript represents valid work. I have reviewed the final version of the submitted manuscript and approve it for publication. Neither this manuscript nor one with substantially similar content under my authorship has been published or is being considered for publication elsewhere, except as described in an attachment. If requested, I shall produce the data upon which the manuscript is based for examination by the editors or their assignees."

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• Manuscripts should be prepared in accordance with the *American Medical Association Manual of Style*<sup>2</sup> and/or the "Uniform Requirements for Manuscripts Submitted to Biomedical Journals."<sup>3</sup>

• Submit the original manuscript and three photocopies, typed on one side of standard-sized white bond paper. Use ample margins.

• Double-space throughout, including title page, abstract, text, acknowledgments, references, legends for illustrations, and tables. Start each of these sections on a new page, numbered consecutively in the upper right-hand corner, beginning with the title page.

• Provide copy that can be scanned by an optical character reader: no smudges or pencil or pen marks. Use only standard 10- or 12-pitch type and spacing. Do not use 10-pitch type with 12-pitch spacing. If prepared on a word processor, do not use proportional spacing; use unjustified (ragged) right margins and letter-quality printing.

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• Use Système International (SI) measurements.<sup>5</sup>

• Use generic names of drugs, unless the specific trade name of a drug used is directly relevant to the discussion.

• Do not use abbreviations in the title or abstract and limit their use in the text.

**Abstract.**—Include a *structured abstract* of no more than 250 words for reports of original data from clinical investigations with human subjects and reviews (including meta-analyses). (See Instructions for Preparing Structured Abstracts on following page.) For other major manuscripts, include an abstract of no more than 150 words. Abstracts are not required for editorials, commentaries, and special features of THE JOURNAL.

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1. Include original manuscript and three photocopies.
2. Include in the cover letter statements—signed by each author—on (a) authorship responsibility, (b) financial disclosure, and (c) copyright transfer or federal employment.
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1. Lomas J, Enkin M, Anderson GM, Hannah WJ, Vayda E, Singer J. Opinion leaders vs audit and feedback to implement practice guidelines: delivery after previous cesarean section. *JAMA*. 1991;265:2202-2207.
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## Instructions for Preparing Structured Abstracts

All manuscripts that are (1) reports of original data from clinical investigations with human subjects or (2) reviews, including meta-analyses, should be submitted with structured abstracts as described below.

### Reports of Original Data From Clinical Investigations With Human Subjects

Authors submitting manuscripts reporting the results of clinical investigations should prepare an abstract of no more than 250 words under the following headings: Objective, Design, Setting, Patients (or Other Participants), Interventions (if any), Main Outcome Measure(s), Results, and Conclusions. The content following each heading should be as follows:

1. **Objective.** The abstract should begin with a clear statement of the precise objective or question addressed in the report. If more than one objective is addressed, the main objective should be indicated and only key secondary objectives stated. If an a priori hypothesis was tested, it should be stated.

2. **Design.** The basic design of the study should be described. The duration of follow-up, if any, should be stated. As many of the following terms as apply should be used.

A. Intervention studies: randomized control trial (see Glossary for the definition of this and other technical terms); nonrandomized control trial; double-blind; placebo control; crossover trial; before-after trial.

B. For studies of screening and diagnostic tests: criterion standard (that is, a widely accepted standard with which a new or alternative test is being compared; this term is preferred to "gold standard"); blinded or masked comparison.

C. For studies of prognosis: inception cohort (subjects assembled at a similar and early time in the course of the disorder and followed thereafter); cohort (subjects followed forward in time, but not necessarily from a common starting point); validation cohort or validation sample if the study involves the modeling of clinical predictions.

D. For studies of causation: randomized control trial; cohort; case-control; survey (preferred to "cross-sectional study").

E. For descriptions of the clinical features of medical disorders: survey; case series.

F. For studies that include a formal economic evaluation: cost-effectiveness analysis; cost-utility analysis; cost-benefit analysis. For

new analyses of existing data sets, the data set should be named and the basic study design disclosed.

3. **Setting.** To assist readers to determine the applicability of the report to their own clinical circumstances, the study setting(s) should be described. Of particular importance is whether the setting is the general community, a primary care or referral center, private or institutional practice, ambulatory or hospitalized care.

4. **Patients or Other Participants.** The clinical disorders, important eligibility criteria, and key sociodemographic features of patients should be stated. The numbers of participants and how they were selected should be provided (see below), including the number of otherwise eligible subjects who were approached but refused. If matching is used for comparison groups, characteristics that are matched should be specified. In follow-up studies, the proportion of participants who completed the study must be indicated. In intervention studies, the number of patients withdrawn for adverse effects should be given.

For selection procedures, these terms should be used, if appropriate: random sample (where "random" refers to a formal, randomized selection in which all eligible subjects have a fixed and usually equal chance of selection); population-based sample; referred sample; consecutive sample; volunteer sample; convenience sample. These terms assist the reader to determine an important element of the generalizability of the study. They also supplement (rather than duplicate) the terms used by professional indexers when articles are entered into computerized databases.

5. **Intervention(s).** The essential features of any interventions should be described, including their method and duration of administration. The intervention should be named by its most common clinical name (for example, the generic term "chlorthalidone"). Common synonyms should be given as well to facilitate electronic text-word searching. This would include the brand name of a drug if a specific product was studied.

6. **Main Outcome Measure(s).** The primary study outcome measurement(s) should be indicated as planned before data collection began. If the paper does not emphasize the main planned outcomes of a study, this fact should be stated and the reason indicated. If the hypothesis being reported was formulated during or after data collection, this information should be clearly stated.

7. **Results.** The main results of the study should be given. Measurements that require explanation for the expected audience of the manuscript should be defined. Important measurements not included in the presentation of results should be declared. As relevant, it should be indicated whether observers were blinded to patient group-

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ings, particularly for subjective measurements. Due to the current limitations of retrieval from electronic databases, results must be given in narrative or point form rather than tabular form if the abstract is to appear in computerized literature services such as MEDLINE. If possible, the results should be accompanied by confidence intervals (for example, 95%) and the exact level of statistical significance. For comparative studies, confidence intervals should relate to the differences between groups. For nonsignificant differences for the major study outcome measure(s), the clinically important difference sought should be stated and the confidence interval for the difference between the groups should be given. When risk changes or effect sizes are given, absolute values should be indicated so that the reader can determine the absolute as well as relative impact of the finding. Approaches such as "number needed to treat" to achieve a unit of benefit are encouraged when appropriate; reporting of relative differences alone is usually inappropriate. If appropriate, studies of screening and diagnostic tests should use the terms "sensitivity," "specificity," and "likelihood ratio." If predictive values or accuracy is given, prevalence or pretest likelihood should be given as well. No data should be reported in the abstract that do not appear in the rest of the manuscript.

3. *Conclusions.* Only those conclusions of the study that are directly supported by the evidence reported should be given, along with their clinical application (avoiding speculation and overgeneralization), and indicating whether additional study is required before the information should be used in usual clinical settings. Equal emphasis must be given to positive and negative findings of equal scientific merit.

To permit quick and selective scanning, the headings outlined above should be included in the abstract. For brevity, parts of the abstract can be written in phrases rather than complete sentences. (For example: "2. *Design.* Double-blind randomized trial," rather than "2. *Design.* The study was conducted as a double-blind, randomized trial.") This technique may make reading less smooth but facilitates selection scanning and allows more information to be conveyed per unit of space.

#### Review Manuscripts (Including Meta-analyses)

Authors submitting review manuscripts and reports of the results of meta-analyses should prepare an abstract of no more than 250 words under the following headings: Objective, Data Sources, Study Selection, Data Extraction, Data Synthesis, and Conclusions. The content following each heading should be as follows:

1. *Objective.* The abstract should begin with a precise statement of the primary objective of the review. The focus of this statement should be guided by whether the review emphasizes factors such as cause, diagnosis, prognosis, therapy, or prevention. It should include information about the specific population, intervention, exposure, and test or outcome that is being reviewed.

2. *Data Sources.* A succinct summary of data sources should be given, including any time restrictions. Potential sources include experts or research institutions active in the field, computerized databases and published indexes, registries, abstract booklets, conference proceedings, references identified from bibliographies of pertinent articles and books, and companies or manufacturers of tests or agents being reviewed. If a bibliographic database is used, the exact indexing terms used for article retrieval should be stated, including any constraints (for example, English language or human subjects).

3. *Study Selection.* The abstract should describe the criteria used to select studies for detailed review from among studies identified as relevant to the topic. Details of selection should include particular populations, interventions, outcomes, or methodologic designs. The method used to apply these criteria should be specified (for example, blind review, consensus, multiple reviewers). The proportion of initially identified studies that met selection criteria should be stated.

4. *Data Extraction.* Guidelines used for abstracting data and assessing data quality and validity (such as criteria for causal inference) should be described. The method by which the guidelines were applied should be stated (for example, independent extraction by multiple observers).

5. *Data Synthesis.* The main results of the review, whether qualitative or quantitative, should be stated. Methods used to obtain these results should be outlined. Meta-analyses should state the major outcomes that were pooled and include odds

ratios or effect sizes and, if possible, sensitivity analyses. Numerical results should be accompanied by confidence intervals, if applicable, and exact levels of statistical significance. Evaluations of screening and diagnostic tests should address issues of sensitivity, specificity, likelihood ratios, receiver operating characteristic curves, and predictive values. Assessments of prognosis could include summarizations of survival characteristics and related variables. Major identified sources of variation between studies should be stated, including differences in treatment protocols, co-interventions, confounders, outcome measures, length of follow-up, and dropout rates.

6. *Conclusions.* The conclusions and their applications should be clearly stated, limiting generalization to the domain of the review. The need for new studies may be suggested.

#### Glossary of Methodologic Terms

**BEFORE-AFTER TRIAL.** Investigation of therapeutic alternatives in which individuals of one period and under one treatment are compared with individuals at a subsequent time, treated in a different fashion. If the disorder is not fatal and the "before" treatment is not curative, the same individuals may be studied in the before and after periods, strengthening the design through increased group comparability for the two periods. See also **CROSSOVER TRIAL.**

**BLIND or BLINDED.** Masked. Unaware. The term may be modified according to the purpose of the blinding. For example, clinicians or patients can be blind to the treatments that patients are receiving and observers can be blind to each other's assessments, making their observations uninfluenced by one another (see also **DOUBLE-BLIND**). To avoid confusion, the term **MASKED** is preferred in studies in which vision loss of patients is an outcome of interest.

**CASE-CONTROL STUDY (CASE-REFERENT OR CASE-COMPARISON STUDY).** Study generally used to test possible causes of a disease or disorder, in which individuals who have a designated disorder are compared with individuals who do not have the disorder with respect to previous current exposure to a putative causal factor. For example, persons with hepatic cancer (cases) are compared with persons without hepatic cancer (controls) and history of hepatitis B is determined for the two groups. A **CASE-CONTROL STUDY** is often referred to as a **RETROSPECTIVE STUDY** (even if patients are recruited prospectively) because the logic of the design leads from effect to cause.

**CASE SERIES.** A series of patients with a defined disorder. The term is usually used to describe a study reporting on a consecutive collection of patients treated in a similar manner, without a concurrent control group. For example, a surgeon might describe the characteristics of and outcomes for 100 consecutive patients with cerebral ischemia who received a revascularization procedure. See also **CONSECUTIVE SAMPLE.**

**COHORT.** A group of persons with a common characteristic or set of characteristics. Typically, the group is followed for a specified period to determine the incidence of a disorder or complications of an established disorder (that is, prognosis), as in **COHORT ANALYTIC STUDY** (prospective study) (see also **INCEPTION COHORT**).

**COHORT ANALYTIC STUDY.** Prospective investigation of the factors that might cause a disorder in which a cohort of individuals who do not have evidence of an outcome of interest but who are exposed to the putative cause are compared with a concurrent cohort who are also free of the outcome but not exposed to the putative cause. Both cohorts are then followed to compare the incidence of the outcome of interest.

**CONFOUNDER, CONFOUNDING VARIABLE.** A factor that distorts the true relationship of the study variables of central interest by virtue of being related to the outcome of interest but extraneous to the study question and unequally distributed among the groups being compared. For example, age might confound a study of the effect of a toxin on longevity if individuals exposed to the toxin were older than those not exposed.

**CONSECUTIVE SAMPLE.** Sample in which the units are chosen on a strict "first come, first chosen" basis. All individuals who are eligible should be included as they are seen.

**CONVENIENCE SAMPLE.** Individuals or groups selected at the convenience of the investigator or primarily because they were available at a convenient time or place.

**COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS.** A form of economic assessment,



usually from society's perspective, in which the costs of medical care are compared with the economic benefits of the care, with both costs and benefits expressed in units of currency. The benefits typically include reductions in future health care costs and increased earnings due to the improved health of those receiving the care.

**COST-EFFECTIVENESS ANALYSIS.** An economic evaluation in which alternative programs, services, or interventions are compared in terms of the cost per unit of clinical effect (for example, cost per life saved, cost per millimeter of mercury of blood pressure lowered, or cost per quality-adjusted life-year gained). The last form of measuring outcomes (and equivalents such as "healthy days of life gained") gives rise to what is also referred to as **COST-UTILITY ANALYSIS**.

**COST-UTILITY ANALYSIS.** See **COST-EFFECTIVENESS ANALYSIS**.

**CRITERION STANDARD.** Preferred term to "gold standard." A method having established or widely accepted accuracy for determining a diagnosis, providing a standard to which a new screening or diagnostic test can be compared. The method need not be a single or simple procedure but could include follow-up of patients to observe the evolution of their conditions or the consensus of an expert panel of clinicians, as is frequently used in the study of psychiatric conditions. **CRITERION STANDARD** can also be used in studies of the quality of care to indicate a level of performance, agreed to by experts or peers, to which the performance of individual practitioners or institutions can be compared.

**CROSSOVER TRIAL.** A method of comparing two or more treatments or interventions in which subjects or patients, on completion of the course of one treatment, are switched to another. Typically, allocation to the first treatment is by random process. Participants' performance in one period is used to judge their performance in others, usually reducing variability. See also **BEFORE-AFTER TRIAL**.

**DATA-SET.** Raw data gathered by investigators.

**DOUBLE-BLIND or DOUBLE MASK.** (1) Neither the subject nor the study staff (those responsible for patient treatment and data collection) are aware of the group or intervention to which the subject has been assigned. (2) Any condition in which two different groups of persons are purposely denied access to information in order to keep that information from influencing some measurement, observation, or process.

**ECONOMIC EVALUATION.** Comparative analysis of alternative courses of action in terms of both their costs and consequences.

**END POINT.** See **OUTCOMES**.

**GOLD STANDARD.** See **CRITERION STANDARD**.

**INCEPTION COHORT.** A designated group of persons, assembled at a common time early in the development of a specific clinical disorder (for example, at the time of first exposure to the putative cause or at the time of initial diagnosis), who are followed thereafter (see also **COHORT**).

**LIKELIHOOD RATIO.** For a screening or diagnostic test (including clinical signs or symptoms), expresses the relative odds that a given test result would be expected in a patient with (as opposed to one without) a disorder of interest.

**MASKED.** See **BLIND**.

**MATCHING.** The deliberate process of making a study group and a comparison group comparable with respect to factors that are extraneous to the purpose of the investigation but that might interfere with the interpretation of the study's findings (for example, in case-control studies, individual cases might be matched or paired with a specific control on the basis of comparable age, gender, clinical features, or a combination).

**NONRANDOMIZED CONTROL TRIAL.** Experiment in which assignment of patients to the intervention groups is at the convenience of the investigator or according to a preset plan that does not conform to the definition of **RANDOM**. See also **RANDOMIZED CONTROL TRIAL**.

**OUTCOMES.** All possible changes in health status that may occur in following subjects or that may stem from exposure to a causal factor or from preventive or therapeutic interventions. The narrower term **END POINTS** refers to health events that lead to completion or termination of follow-up of an individual in a trial or cohort study, for example, death or major morbidity, particularly related to the study question.

**PRIMARY CARE.** Medical care provided by the clinician of

first contact for the patient. Typically, the primary care physician is a general practitioner, family practitioner, primary care internist, or primary care pediatrician. Primary care may also be administered by health professionals other than physicians, notably, specially trained nurses (nurse practitioners) and paramedics. Usually, a general practitioner, family practitioner, nurse practitioner, or paramedic provides only primary care services but a person with specialty qualifications may provide primary care, alone or in combination with referral services (see also **REFERRED CARE**). Thus, it is the nature of the contact (first compared with referred) that determines the care designation rather than the qualifications of the practitioner.

**PRIMARY CARE CENTER, PRIMARY CARE SETTING.** Medical care facility that offers first-contact health care only. Patients requiring specialized medical care are referred elsewhere. Some primary care centers provide a mixture of primary and referred care. Thus it is the nature of the service provided (first contact) rather than the setting per se that distinguishes primary from more advanced levels of care. See also **PRIMARY CARE, REFERRED CARE, TERTIARY CARE CENTER**.

**PROSPECTIVE STUDY.** See **COHORT** and **COHORT ANALYTIC STUDY**.

**RANDOM.** Governed by a formal chance process in which the occurrence of previous events is of no value in predicting future events. The probability of assignment of, for example, a given subject to a specified treatment group is fixed and constant (typically 0.50) but the subject's actual assignment cannot be known until it occurs.

**RANDOM SAMPLE.** A sample derived by selecting sampling units (for example, individual patients) such that each unit has an independent and fixed (generally equal) chance of selection. Whether a given unit is selected is determined by chance (for example, by a table of randomly ordered numbers).

**RANDOMIZATION, RANDOM ALLOCATION.** Allocation of individuals to groups by chance, usually done with the aid of a table of random numbers. Not to be confused with systematic allocation (for example, on even and odd days of the month) or allocation at the convenience or discretion of the investigator.

**RANDOMIZED TRIAL (RANDOMIZED CONTROL[LED] TRIAL, RANDOMIZED CLINICAL TRIAL, RCT).** Experiment in which individuals are randomly allocated to receive or not receive an experimental preventive, therapeutic, or diagnostic procedure and then followed to determine the effect of the intervention.

**REFERRED CARE.** Medical care provided to a patient when referred by one health professional to another with more specialized qualifications or interests. There are two levels of referred care: secondary and tertiary. Secondary care is usually provided by a broadly skilled specialist such as a general surgeon, general internist, or obstetrician. Tertiary care is provided on referral of a patient to a subspecialist, such as an orthopedic surgeon, neurologist, or neonatologist. See also **TERTIARY CARE CENTER**.

**RETROSPECTIVE STUDY.** See **CASE-CONTROL STUDY**.

**SECONDARY CARE.** See **REFERRED CARE**.

**SENSITIVITY.** The sensitivity of a diagnostic or screening test is the proportion of people who truly have a designated disorder who are so identified by the test. The test may consist of or include clinical observations.

**SEQUENTIAL SAMPLE.** See **CONSECUTIVE SAMPLE**.

**SPECIFICITY.** The specificity of a diagnostic or screening test is the proportion of people who are truly free of a designated disorder who are so identified by the test. The test may consist of or include clinical observations.

**SURVEY.** Observational or descriptive, nonexperimental study in which individuals are systematically examined for the absence or presence (or degree of presence) of characteristics of interest.

**TERTIARY CARE.** See **REFERRED CARE**.

**TERTIARY CARE CENTER.** A tertiary care center is a medical facility that receives referrals from both primary and secondary care levels and usually offers tests, treatments, and procedures that are not available elsewhere. Most tertiary care centers offer a mixture of primary, secondary, and tertiary care services so that it is the specific level of service rendered rather than the facility that determines the designation of care in a given study. See also **REFERRED CARE**.



Système International Conversion Factors for Frequently Used Laboratory Components

System*	Component	Present Reference Intervals (Examples)†	Present Unit	Conversion Factor	SI Reference Intervals†	SI Unit Symbol	Significant Digits‡	Suggested Minimum Increment
<b>Hematology</b>								
(B) ErCs	Erythrocyte sedimentation rate							
	Female	0-30	mm/hr	1	0-30	mm/h	XX	
	Male	0-20	mm/hr	1	0-20	mm/h	XX	
B	Hematocrit							
	Female	33-43	%	0.01	0.33-0.43	1	0.XX	
	Male	39-49	%	0.01	0.39-0.49	1	0.XX	
B	Hemoglobin							
	Mass concentration							
	Female	12.0-15.0	g/dL	10	120-150	g/L	XXX	
	Male	13.6-17.2	g/dL	10	136-172	g/L	XXX	
	Substance concentration (Hb[Fe])							
	Female	12.0-15.0	g/dL	0.6206	7.45-9.31	mmol/L	XX.XX	
	Male	13.6-17.2	g/dL	0.6206	8.44-10.67	mmol/L	XX.XX	
(B) ErCs	Mean corpuscular hemoglobin							
	Mass concentration	27-33	pg	1	27-33	pg	XX	
	Substance concentration (Hb[Fe])	27-33	pg	0.06206	1.68-2.05	fmol	X.XX	
(B) ErCs	Mean corpuscular hemoglobin concentration							
	Mass concentration	33-37	g/dL	10	330-370	g/L	XX0	
	Substance concentration (Hb[Fe])	33-37	g/dL	0.6206	20-23	mmol/L	XX	
(B) ErCs	Mean corpuscular volume							
	Erythrocyte volume	76-100	cu $\mu$ m	1	76-100	fL	XXX	
B	Red blood cell count (erythrocytes)							
	Female	3.5-5.0	10 <sup>9</sup> /cu mm	1	3.5-5.0	10 <sup>9</sup> /L	X.X	
	Male	4.3-5.9	10 <sup>9</sup> /cu mm	1	4.3-5.1	10 <sup>9</sup> /L	X.X	
(Sf) ErCs	Red blood cell count	0	/cu mm	1	0	10 <sup>9</sup> /L	XX	
B	Reticulocyte count (adults)	10 000-75 000	/cu mm	0.001	10-75	10 <sup>9</sup> /L	XX	
	Number fraction	1-24	0/00 (No. per 1000 erythrocytes)	1	1-24	10 <sup>-3</sup>	XX	
		0.1-2.4	%	10	1-24	10 <sup>-3</sup>	XX	
B	Thrombocytes (platelets)	150-450	10 <sup>9</sup> /cu mm	1	150-450	10 <sup>9</sup> /L	XXX	
B Lkcs	White blood cell count	3200-9800	/cu mm	0.001	3.2-9.8	10 <sup>9</sup> /L	XX.X	
	Number fraction (differential)	...	%	0.01	...	1	0.XX	
(Sf) Lkcs	White blood cell count	0-5	/cu mm	1	0-5	10 <sup>9</sup> /L	XX	
<b>Clinical Chemistry</b>								
S	Alanine aminotransferase (ALAT)	0-35 (35°C)	Units/L	1.00	0-35	U/L	XX	1 U/L
			Karmen units/mL	0.482	...	U/L	XX	1 U/L
S	Albumin	4.0-6.0	g/dL	10.0	40-60	g/L	XX	1 g/L
S	$\alpha_1$ -Antitrypsin	150-350	mg/dL	0.01	1.5-3.5	g/L	X.X	0.1 g/L
P	Ammonia							
	As ammonia (NH <sub>3</sub> )	10-80	$\mu$ g/dL	0.5872	5-50	$\mu$ mol/L	XXX	5 $\mu$ mol/L
	As ammonium (NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup> )	10-85	$\mu$ g/dL	0.5543	5-50	$\mu$ mol/L	XXX	5 $\mu$ mol/L
	As nitrogen (N)	10-65	$\mu$ g/dL	0.7139	5-50	$\mu$ mol/L	XXX	5 $\mu$ mol/L
S	Amylase, enzymatic (Somogyi/Caraway)	0-130 (37°C)	Units/L	1.00	0-130	U/L	XXX	1 U/L
		50-150	Somogyi units/dL	1.850	100-300	U/L	XX0	10 U/L
S	Aspartate/aminotransferase (ASAT)	0-35 (37°C)	Units/L	1.00	0-35	U/L	XX	1 U/L
			Karmen units/mL	0.482	...	U/L	XX	1 U/L
S	Bilirubin							
	Total	0.1-1.0	mg/dL	17.10	2-18	$\mu$ mol/L	XX	2 $\mu$ mol/L
	Conjugated	0-0.2	mg/dL	17.10	0-4	$\mu$ mol/L	XX	2 $\mu$ mol/L
S	Calcium							
	Male	8.8-10.3	mg/dL	0.2495	2.20-2.58	mmol/L	X.XX	0.02 mmol/L
	Female <50 yr	8.8-10.0	mg/dL	0.2495	2.20-2.50	mmol/L	X.XX	0.02 mmol/L
U	Calcium, normal diet	<250	mg/24 hr	0.02495	<6.2	mmol/d	X.X	0.1 mmol/d
B, P, S	Carbon dioxide content (bicarbonate + CO <sub>2</sub> )	22-28	mEq/L	1.00	22-28	mmol/L	XX	1 mmol/L
S	Chloride	95-105	mEq/L	1.00	95-105	mmol/L	XXX	1 mmol/L

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P	Cholesterol	<200	mg/dL	0.02586	<5.20	mmol/L	X.XX	0.05 mmol/L
	<29 yr	<225	mg/dL	0.02586	<5.85	mmol/L	X.XX	0.05 mmol/L
	30-39 yr	<245	mg/dL	0.02586	<6.35	mmol/L	X.XX	0.05 mmol/L
	40-49 yr	<265	mg/dL	0.02586	<6.85	mmol/L	X.XX	0.05 mmol/L
	>50 yr							
P	Cholesterol esters, as a fraction of total cholesterol	60-75	%	0.01	0.60-0.75	1	X.XX	0.01
S	Complement, C3	70-160	mg/dL	0.01	0.7-1.6	g/L	X.X	0.1 g/L
S	Copper	70-140	µg/dL	0.1574	11.0-22.0	µmol/L	XX.X	0.2 µmol/L
U	Copper	<40	µg/24 hr	0.01574	<0.6	µmol/d	X.X	0.2 µmol/d
P	Corticotropin (ACTH)	20-100	pg/mL	0.2202	4-22	pmol/L	XX	1 pmol/L
S	Creatine							
	Male	0.17-0.50	mg/dL	76.25	10-40	µmol/L	X0	10 µmol/L
	Female	0.35-0.93	mg/dL	76.25	30-70	µmol/L	X0	10 µmol/L
U	Creatine							
	Male	0-40	mg/24 hr	7.625	0-300	µmol/d	XX0	10 µmol/d
	Female	0-80	mg/24 hr	7.625	0-600	µmol/d	XX0	10 µmol/d
S	Creatine kinase (CK)	0-130 (37°C)	Units/L	1.00	0-130	U/L	XXX	1 U/L
S	Creatine kinase isoenzymes, MB fraction	>5 in myocardial infarction	%	0.01	>0.05	1	X.XX	0.01
S	Creatinine	0.6-1.2	mg/dL	88.40	50-110	µmol/L	XX0	10 µmol/L
U	Creatinine	Variable	g/24 hr	8.840	Variable	mmol/d	XX.X	0.1 mmol/d
U	Creatinine							
	Male	1.24-2.08	mL/s	0.01667	1.24-2.08	mL/s	X.XX	0.02 mL/s
S, U	Creatinine clearance†	75-125	mL/min	0.01667	1.24-2.08	mL/s	X.XX	0.02 mL/s
U	Cystine	10-100	mg/24 hr	4.161	40-420	µmol/d	XX0	10 µmol/d
U	Cystine	10-100	mg/24 hr	4.161	40-420	µmol/d	XX0	10 µmol/d
U	Cystine	10-100	mg/24 hr	4.161	40-420	µmol/d	XX0	10 µmol/d
U	Cystine	10-100	mg/24 hr	4.161	40-420	µmol/d	XX0	10 µmol/d
P	Digoxin, therapeutic	0.5-2.2	ng/mL	1.281	0.6-2.8	nmol/L	X.X	0.1 nmol/L
P	Digoxin, therapeutic	0.5-2.2	µg/L	1.281	0.6-2.8	nmol/L	X.X	0.1 nmol/L
P	Digoxin, therapeutic	0.5-2.2	µg/L	1.281	0.6-2.8	nmol/L	X.X	0.1 nmol/L
P	Ethyl alcohol	>100	mg/dL	0.2171	>22	mmol/L	XX	1 mmol/L
P	Fibrinogen	200-400	mg/dL	0.01	2.0-4.0	g/L	X.X	0.1 g/L
P	Follicle-stimulating hormone (FSH)							
	Female	2.0-15.0	mIU/mL	1.00	2-15	IU/L	XX	1 IU/L
	Peak production	20-50	mIU/mL	1.00	20-50	IU/L	XX	1 IU/L
	Male	1.0-10.0	mIU/mL	1.00	1-10	IU/L	XX	1 IU/L
U	Follicle-stimulating hormone (FSH)							
	Follicular phase	2-15	IU/24 hr	1.00	2-15	IU/d	XXX	1 IU/d
	Midcycle	8-40	IU/24 hr	1.00	8-40	IU/d	XXX	1 IU/d
	Luteal phase	2-10	IU/24 hr	1.00	2-10	IU/d	XXX	1 IU/d
	Menopausal women	35-100	IU/24 hr	1.00	35-100	IU/d	XXX	1 IU/d
	Male	2-15	IU/24 hr	1.00	2-15	IU/d	XXX	1 IU/d
S	γ-Glutamyl transferase (GGT)	0-30 (30°C)	Units/L	1.00	0-30	U/L	XX	1 U/L
P	Glucose	70-110	mg/dL	0.05551	3.9-6.1	mmol/L	XX.X	0.1 mmol/L
B	Hemoglobin							
	Male	14.0-18.0	g/dL	10.0	140-180	g/L	XXX	1 g/L
	Female	11.5-15.5	g/dL	10.0	115-155	g/L	XXX	1 g/L
S	Immunoglobulins							
	IgG	500-1200	mg/dL	0.01	5.00-12.00	g/L	XX.XX	0.01 g/L
	IgA	50-350	mg/dL	0.01	0.50-3.50	g/L	XX.XX	0.01 g/L
	IgM	30-230	mg/dL	0.01	0.30-2.30	g/L	XX.XX	0.01 g/L
	IgD	<6	mg/dL	10	<60	mg/L	XX0	10 mg/L
	IgE							
	0-3 yr	0.5-1.0	U/mL	2.4	1-24	µg/L	XX	1 µg/L
	3-80 yr	5-100	U/mL	2.4	12-240	µg/L	XX	1 µg/L
S	Iron							
	Male	80-180	µg/dL	0.1791	14-32	µmol/L	XX	1 µmol/L
	Female	60-160	µg/dL	0.1791	11-29	µmol/L	XX	1 µmol/L
S	Iron-binding capacity	250-460	µg/dL	0.1791	45-82	µmol/L	XX	1 µmol/L
S	Lactate dehydrogenase (L→P)	50-150 (37°C)	Units/L	1.00	50-150	U/L	XXX	1 U/L
S	Lactate dehydrogenase (L→P)		Wroblewski units/mL	0.482		U/L	XXX	1 U/L
S	Lactate dehydrogenase isoenzymes							
	LD <sub>1</sub>	15-40	%	0.01	0.15-0.40	1	X.XX	0.01
	LD <sub>2</sub>	20-45	%	0.01	0.20-0.45	1	X.XX	0.01
	LD <sub>3</sub>	15-30	%	0.01	0.15-0.30	1	X.XX	0.01
	LD <sub>4</sub>	5-20	%	0.01	0.05-0.20	1	X.XX	0.01
	LD <sub>4</sub> and LD <sub>5</sub>	10-60	Units/L	1	10-60	U/L	XX	1 U/L
	LD <sub>1</sub>	10-60	Units/L	1	10-60	U/L	XX	1 U/L
	LD <sub>2</sub>	20-70	Units/L	1	20-70	U/L	XX	1 U/L
	LD <sub>3</sub>	10-45	Units/L	1	10-45	U/L	XX	1 U/L
	LD <sub>4</sub> and LD <sub>5</sub>	5-30	Units/L	1	5-30	U/L	XX	1 U/L

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B	Lead, toxic	>60	µg/dL	0.04826	>2.90	µmol/L	X.XX	0.05 µmol/L	
U	Lead, toxic	>80	µg/24 hr	0.004826	>0.40	µmol/d	X.XX	0.05 µmol/d	
P	Lipids, total	400-850	mg/dL	0.01	4.0-8.5	g/L	X.X	0.1 g/L	
P	Lipoproteins								
	Low-density (LDL), as cholesterol	50-190	mg/dL	0.02586	1.30-4.90	mmol/L	X.XX	0.05 mmol/L	
	High-density (HDL), as cholesterol								
	Male	30-70	mg/dL	0.02586	0.80-1.80	mmol/L	X.XX	0.05 mmol/L	
	Female	30-90	mg/dL	0.02586	0.80-2.35	mmol/L	X.XX	0.05 mmol/L	
S	Magnesium	1.8-3.0	mg/dL	0.4114	0.80-1.20	mmol/L	X.XX	0.02 mmol/L	
P	Phenytoin, therapeutic	10-20	mg/L	3.964	40-80	µmol/L	XX	5 µmol/L	
P	Phosphatase, acid (prostatic)	0-3	King-Armstrong units/dL	1.77	0-5.5	U/L	X.X	0.05 U/L	
			Bodansky units/dL	5.37	0-16.1	U/L	X.X	0.5 U/L	
S	Phosphatase, alkaline	30-120	Units/L	1.00	30-120	U/L	XXX	1 U/L	
			Bodansky units/dL	5.37	161-644	U/L	XXX	1 U/L	
			King-Armstrong units/dL	7.1	213-852	U/L	XXX	1 U/L	
S	Phosphate (as phosphorus)	2.5-5.0	mg/dL	0.3229	0.80-1.60	mmol/L	X.XX	0.05 mmol/L	
S	Potassium	3.5-5.0	mEq/L	1.00	3.5-5.0	mmol/L	X.X	0.1 mmol/L	
P	Progesterone								
	Follicular phase	<2	ng/mL	3.180	<6	nmol/L	XX	2 nmol/L	
	Luteal phase	2-20	ng/mL	3.180	6-64	nmol/L	XX	2 nmol/L	
S	Protein, total	6-8	g/dL	10.0	60-80	g/L	XX	1 g/L	
Sf	Protein, total	<40	mg/dL	0.01	<0.40	g/L	X.XX	0.01 g/L	
U	Protein, total	<150	mg/24 hr	0.001	<0.15	g/d	X.XX	0.01 g/d	
S	Sodium	135-147	mEq/L	1.00	135-147	mmol/L	XXX	1 mmol/L	
S	Sodium ion	135-147	mEq/L	1.00	135-147	mmol/L	XXX	1 mmol/L	
U	Sodium ion	Diet dependent	mEq/24 hr	1.00	Diet dependent	mmol/d	XXX	1 mmol/d	
	Steroids								
U	Hydrocorticosteroids (as cortisol)								
	Female	2-8	mg/24 hr	2.759	5-25	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d	
	Male	3-10	mg/24 hr	2.759	10-30	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d	
U	17-Ketogenic steroids (as dehydroepiandrosterone)								
	Female	7-12	mg/24 hr	3.467	25-40	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d	
	Male	9-17	mg/24 hr	3.467	30-60	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d	
U	17-Ketosteroids (as dehydroepiandrosterone)								
	Female	6-17	mg/24 hr	3.467	20-60	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d	
	Male	6-20	mg/24 hr	3.467	20-70	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d	
U	Ketosteroid fractions								
	Androsterone								
	Female	0.5-3.0	mg/24 hr	3.443	1-10	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d	
	Male	2.0-5.0	mg/24 hr	3.443	7-17	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d	
	Dehydroepiandrosterone								
	Female	0.2-1.8	mg/24 hr	3.467	1-6	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d	
	Male	0.2-2.0	mg/24 hr	3.467	1-7	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d	
	Etiocholanolone								
	Female	0.8-4.0	mg/24 hr	3.443	2-14	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d	
	Male	1.4-5.0	mg/24 hr	3.443	4-17	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d	
				58.07	580-870	µmol/L	XX0	10 µmol/L	
P	Testosterone								
	Female	<0.6	ng/mL	3.467	<2.0	nmol/L	XX.X	0.5 nmol/L	
	Male	4.0-8.0	ng/mL	3.467	14.0-28.0	nmol/L	XX.X	0.5 nmol/L	
S	Triiodothyronine (T <sub>3</sub> )	75-220	ng/dL	0.01536	1.2-3.4	nmol/L	X.X	0.1 nmol/L	
S	Urate (as uric acid)	2.0-7.0	mg/dL	59.48	120-420	µmol/L	XX0	10 µmol/L	
U	Urate (as uric acid)	Diet dependent	g/24 hr	5.948	Diet dependent	mmol/d	XX	1 mmol/d	
S	Urea nitrogen	8-18	mg/dL	0.3570	3.0-6.5	mmol/L of urea	X.X	0.5 mmol/L	
U	Urea nitrogen	12-20 (diet dependent)	g/24 hr	35.70	430-700	mmol/d of urea	XX0	10 mmol/d	
U	Urobilinogen	0-4.0	mg/24 hr	1.693	0.0-6.8	µmol/d	X.X	0.1 µmol/d	
S	Zinc	75-120	µg/dL	0.1530	11.5-18.5	µmol/L	XX.X	0.1 µmol/L	
U	Zinc	150-1200	µg/24 hr	0.0153	2.3-18.3	µmol/d	XX.X	0.1 µmol/d	

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5. *Data Synthesis.* The main results of the review, whether qualitative or quantitative, should be stated. Methods used to obtain these results should be outlined. Meta-analyses should state the major outcomes that were pooled and include odds ratios or effect sizes and, if possible, sensitivity analyses. Numerical results should be accompanied by confidence intervals, if applicable, and exact levels of statistical significance. Evaluations of screening and diagnostic tests should address issues of sensitivity, specificity, likelihood ratios, receiver operating characteristic curves, and predictive values. Assessments of prognosis could include summarizations of survival characteristics and related variables. Major identified sources of variation between studies should be stated, including differences in treatment protocols, co-interventions, confounders, outcome measures, length of follow-up, and dropout rates.

6. *Conclusions.* The conclusions and their applications should be clearly stated, limiting generalization to the domain of the review. The need for new studies may be suggested.

#### Glossary of Methodologic Terms

**BEFORE-AFTER TRIAL.** Investigation of therapeutic alternatives in which individuals of one period and under one treatment are compared with individuals at a subsequent time, treated in a different fashion. If the disorder is not fatal and the "before" treatment is not curative, the same individuals may be studied in the before and after periods, strengthening the design through increased group comparability for the two periods. See also CROSSOVER TRIAL.

**BLIND or BLINDED.** Masked. Unaware. The term may be modified according to the purpose of the blinding. For example, clinicians or patients can be blind to the treatments that patients are receiving and observers can be blind to each other's assessments, making their observations uninfluenced by one another (see also DOUBLE-BLIND). To avoid confusion, the term MASKED is preferred in studies in which vision loss of patients is an outcome of interest.

**CASE-CONTROL STUDY (CASE-REFERENT OR CASE-COMPARISON STUDY).** Study generally used to test possible causes of a disease or disorder, in which individuals who have a designated disorder are compared with individuals who do not have the disorder with respect to previous current exposure to a putative causal factor. For example, persons with hepatic cancer (cases) are compared with persons without hepatic cancer (controls) and history of hepatitis B is determined for the two groups. A CASE-CONTROL STUDY is often referred to as a RETROSPECTIVE STUDY (even if patients are recruited prospectively) because the logic of the design leads from effect to cause.

**CASE SERIES.** A series of patients with a defined disorder. The term is usually used to describe a study reporting on a consecutive collection of patients treated in a similar manner, without a concurrent control group. For example, a surgeon might describe the characteristics of and outcomes for 100 consecutive patients with cerebral ischemia who received a revascularization procedure. See also CONSECUTIVE SAMPLE.

**COHORT.** A group of persons with a common characteristic or set of characteristics. Typically, the group is followed for a specified period to determine the incidence of a disorder or complications of an established disorder (that is, prognosis), as in COHORT ANALYTIC STUDY (prospective study) (see also INCEPTION COHORT).

**COHORT ANALYTIC STUDY.** Prospective investigation of the factors that might cause a disorder in which a cohort of individuals who do not have evidence of an outcome of interest but who are exposed to the putative cause are compared with a concurrent cohort who are also free of the outcome but not exposed to the putative cause. Both cohorts are then followed to compare the incidence of the outcome of interest.

**CONFOUNDER, CONFOUNDING VARIABLE.** A factor that distorts the true relationship of the study variables of central interest by virtue of being related to the outcome of interest but extraneous to the study question and unequally distributed among the groups being compared. For example, age might confound a study of the effect of a toxin on longevity if individuals exposed to the toxin were older than those not exposed.

**CONSECUTIVE SAMPLE.** Sample in which the units are chosen on a strict "first come, first chosen" basis. All individuals who are eligible should be included as they are seen.



Système International Conversion Factors for Frequently Used Laboratory Components

System*	Component	Present Reference Intervals (Examples)†	Present Unit	Conversion Factor	SI Reference Intervals†	SI Unit Symbol	Significant Digits‡	Suggested Minimum Increment
<b>Hematology</b>								
(B) ErCS	Erythrocyte sedimentation rate							
	Female	0-30	mm/hr	1	0-30	mm/h	XX	
	Male	0-20	mm/hr	1	0-20	mm/h	XX	
B	Hematocrit							
	Female	33-43	%	0.01	0.33-0.43	1	0.XX	
	Male	39-49	%	0.01	0.39-0.49	1	0.XX	
B	Hemoglobin							
	Mass concentration							
	Female	12.0-15.0	g/dL	10	120-150	g/L	XXX	
	Male	13.6-17.2	g/dL	10	136-172	g/L	XXX	
	Substance concentration (Hb[Fe])							
	Female	12.0-15.0	g/dL	0.6206	7.45-9.31	mmol/L	XX.XX	
	Male	13.6-17.2	g/dL	0.6206	8.44-10.67	mmol/L	XX.XX	
(B) ErCS	Mean corpuscular hemoglobin							
	Mass concentration	27-33	pg	1	27-33	pg	XX	
	Substance concentration (Hb[Fe])	27-33	pg	0.06206	1.68-2.05	fmol	X.XX	
(B) ErCS	Mean corpuscular hemoglobin concentration							
	Mass concentration	33-37	g/dL	10	330-370	g/L	XX0	
	Substance concentration (Hb[Fe])	33-37	g/dL	0.6206	20-23	mmol/L	XX	
(B) ErCS	Mean corpuscular volume							
	Erythrocyte volume	76-100	cu µm	1	76-100	fL	XXX	
B	Red blood cell count (erythrocytes)							
	Female	3.5-5.0	10 <sup>9</sup> /cu mm	1	3.5-5.0	10 <sup>12</sup> /L	X.X	
	Male	4.3-5.9	10 <sup>9</sup> /cu mm	1	4.3-5.1	10 <sup>12</sup> /L	X.X	
(Sf) ErCS	Red blood cell count	0	/cu mm	1	0	10 <sup>9</sup> /L	XX	
B	Reticulocyte count (adults)	10 000-75 000	/cu mm	0.001	10-75	10 <sup>9</sup> /L	XX	
	Number fraction	1-24	0/00 (No. per 1000 erythrocytes)	1	1-24	10 <sup>-3</sup>	XX	
		0.1-2.4	%	10	1-24	10 <sup>-3</sup>	XX	
B	Thrombocytes (platelets)	150-450	10 <sup>9</sup> /cu mm	1	150-450	10 <sup>9</sup> /L	XXX	
B Lkcs	White blood cell count	3200-9800	/cu mm	0.001	3.2-9.8	10 <sup>9</sup> /L	XX.X	
	Number fraction (differential)	...	%	0.01	...	1	0.XX	
(Sf) Lkcs	White blood cell count	0-5	/cu mm	1	0-5	10 <sup>9</sup> /L	XX	
<b>Clinical Chemistry</b>								
S	Alanine aminotransferase (ALAT)	0-35 (35°C)	Units/L	1.00	0-35	U/L	XX	1 U/L
			Karmen units/mL	0.482	...	U/L	XX	1 U/L
S	Albumin	4.0-6.0	g/dL	10.0	40-60	g/L	XX	1 g/L
S	α <sub>1</sub> -Antitrypsin	150-350	mg/dL	0.01	1.5-3.5	g/L	X.X	0.1 g/L
P	Ammonia							
	As ammonia (NH <sub>3</sub> )	10-80	µg/dL	0.5872	5-50	µmol/L	XXX	5 µmol/L
	As ammonium (NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup> )	10-85	µg/dL	0.5543	5-50	µmol/L	XXX	5 µmol/L
	As nitrogen (N)	10-65	µg/dL	0.7139	5-50	µmol/L	XXX	5 µmol/L
S	Amylase, enzymatic (Somogyi/Caraway)	0-130 (37°C)	Units/L	1.00	0-130	U/L	XXX	1 U/L
		50-150	Somogyi units/dL	1.850	100-300	U/L	XX0	10 U/L
S	Aspartate/aminotransferase (ASAT)	0-35 (37°C)	Units/L	1.00	0-35	U/L	XX	1 U/L
			Karmen units/mL	0.482	...	U/L	XX	1 U/L
S	Bilirubin							
	Total	0.1-1.0	mg/dL	17.10	2-18	µmol/L	XX	2 µmol/L
	Conjugated	0-0.2	mg/dL	17.10	0-4	µmol/L	XX	2 µmol/L
S	Calcium							
	Male	8.8-10.3	mg/dL	0.2495	2.20-2.56	mmol/L	X.XX	0.02 mmol/L
	Female <50 yr	8.8-10.0	mg/dL	0.2495	2.20-2.50	mmol/L	X.XX	0.02 mmol/L
U	Calcium, normal diet	<250	mg/24 hr	0.02495	<6.2	mmol/d	X.X	0.1 mmol/d
B, P, S	Carbon dioxide content (bicarbonate - CO <sub>2</sub> )	22-28	mEq/L	1.00	22-28	mmol/L	XX	1 mmol/L
S	Chloride	95-105	mEq/L	1.00	95-105	mmol/L	XXX	1 mmol/L

\*P represents plasma; B, blood; S, serum; U, urine; Sf, spinal fluid; ErCS, erythrocytes; and Lkcs, leukocytes.  
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System*	Component	Present Reference Intervals (Examples)†	Present Unit	Conversion Factor	SI Reference Intervals‡	SI Unit Symbol	Significant Digits‡	Suggested Minimum Increment
B	Lead, toxic	>60	µg/dL	0.04826	>2.90	µmol/L	X.XX	0.05 µmol/L
			mg/dL	48.26		µmol/L	X.XX	0.05 µmol/L
U	Lead, toxic	>80	µg/24 hr	0.004826	>0.40	µmol/d	X.XX	0.05 µmol/d
P	Lipids, total	400-850	mg/dL	0.01	4.0-8.5	g/L	X.X	0.1 g/L
P	Lipoproteins							
	Low-density (LDL), as cholesterol	50-190	mg/dL	0.02586	1.30-4.90	mmol/L	X.XX	0.05 mmol/L
	High-density (HDL), as cholesterol							
	Male	30-70	mg/dL	0.02586	0.80-1.80	mmol/L	X.XX	0.05 mmol/L
	Female	30-90	mg/dL	0.02586	0.80-2.35	mmol/L	X.XX	0.05 mmol/L
S	Magnesium	1.8-3.0	mg/dL	0.4114	0.80-1.20	mmol/L	X.XX	0.02 mmol/L
P	Phenytoin, therapeutic	10-20	mg/L	3.964	40-80	µmol/L	XX	5 µmol/L
P	Phosphatase, acid (prostatic)	0-3	King-Armstrong units/dL	1.77	0-5.5	U/L	X.X	0.05 U/L
			Bodansky units/dL	5.37	0-16.1	U/L	X.X	0.5 U/L
S	Phosphatase, alkaline	30-120	Units/L	1.00	30-120	U/L	XXX	1 U/L
			Bodansky units/dL	5.37	161-644	U/L	XXX	1 U/L
			King-Armstrong units/dL	7.1	213-852	U/L	XXX	1 U/L
S	Phosphate (as phosphorus)	2.5-5.0	mg/dL	0.3229	0.80-1.60	mmol/L	X.XX	0.05 mmol/L
S	Potassium	3.5-5.0	mEq/L	1.00	3.5-5.0	mmol/L	X.X	0.1 mmol/L
P	Progesterone							
	Follicular phase	<2	ng/mL	3.180	<6	nmol/L	XX	2 nmol/L
	Luteal phase	2-20	ng/mL	3.180	6-64	nmol/L	XX	2 nmol/L
S	Protein, total	6-8	g/dL	10.0	60-80	g/L	XX	1 g/L
Sf	Protein, total	<40	mg/dL	0.01	<0.40	g/L	X.XX	0.01 g/L
U	Protein, total	<150	mg/24 hr	0.001	<0.15	g/d	X.XX	0.01 g/d
S	Sodium	135-147	mEq/L	1.00	135-147	mmol/L	XXX	1 mmol/L
S	Sodium ion	135-147	mEq/L	1.00	135-147	mmol/L	XXX	1 mmol/L
U	Sodium ion	Diet dependent	mEq/24 hr	1.00	Diet dependent	mmol/d	XXX	1 mmol/d
	Steroids							
U	Hydrocorticosteroids (as cortisol)							
	Female	2-8	mg/24 hr	2.759	5-25	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
	Male	3-10	mg/24 hr	2.759	10-30	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
U	17-Ketogenic steroids (as dehydroepiandrosterone)							
	Female	7-12	mg/24 hr	3.467	25-40	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
	Male	9-17	mg/24 hr	3.467	30-60	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
U	17-Ketosteroids (as dehydroepiandrosterone)							
	Female	6-17	mg/24 hr	3.467	20-60	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
	Male	6-20	mg/24 hr	3.467	20-70	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
U	Ketosteroid fractions							
	Androsterone							
	Female	0.5-3.0	mg/24 hr	3.443	1-10	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
	Male	2.0-5.0	mg/24 hr	3.443	7-17	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
	Dehydroepiandrosterone							
	Female	0.2-1.8	mg/24 hr	3.467	1-6	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
	Male	0.2-2.0	mg/24 hr	3.467	1-7	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
	Etiocholanolone							
	Female	0.8-4.0	mg/24 hr	3.443	2-14	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
	Male	1.4-5.0	mg/24 hr	3.443	4-17	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
				58.07	580-870	µmol/L	XX0	10 µmol/L
P	Testosterone							
	Female	<0.6	ng/mL	3.467	<2.0	nmol/L	XX.X	0.5 nmol/L
	Male	4.0-8.0	ng/mL	3.467	14.0-28.0	nmol/L	XX.X	0.5 nmol/L
S	Triiodothyronine (T <sub>3</sub> )	75-220	ng/dL	0.01536	1.2-3.4	nmol/L	X.X	0.1 nmol/L
S	Urate (as uric acid)	2.0-7.0	mg/dL	59.48	120-420	µmol/L	XX0	10 µmol/L
U	Urate (as uric acid)	Diet dependent	g/24 hr	5.948	Diet dependent	mmol/d	XX	1 mmol/d
S	Urea nitrogen	8-18	mg/dL	0.3570	3.0-6.5	mmol/L of urea	X.X	0.5 mmol/L
U	Urea nitrogen	12-20 (diet dependent)	g/24 hr	35.70	430-700	mmol/d of urea	XX0	10 mmol/d
U	Urobilinogen	0-4.0	mg/24 hr	1.693	0.0-6.8	µmol/d	X.X	0.1 µmol/d
S	Zinc	75-120	µg/dL	0.1530	11.5-18.5	µmol/L	XX.X	0.1 µmol/L
U	Zinc	150-1200	µg/24 hr	0.0153	2.3-18.3	µmol/d	XX.X	0.1 µmol/d

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  - E. For descriptions of the clinical features of medical disorders:

survey; case series.

F. For studies that include a formal economic evaluation: cost-effectiveness analysis; cost-utility analysis; cost-benefit analysis. For new analyses of existing data sets, the data set should be named and the basic study design disclosed.

3. **Setting.** To assist readers to determine the applicability of the report to their own clinical circumstances, the study setting(s) should be described. Of particular importance is whether the setting is the general community, a primary care or referral center, private or institutional practice, ambulatory or hospitalized care.

4. **Patients or Other Participants.** The clinical disorders, important eligibility criteria, and key sociodemographic features of patients should be stated. The numbers of participants and how they were selected should be provided (see below), including the number of otherwise eligible subjects who were approached but refused. If matching is used for comparison groups, characteristics that are matched should be specified. In follow-up studies, the proportion of participants who completed the study must be indicated. In intervention studies, the number of patients withdrawn for adverse effects should be given.

For selection procedures, these terms should be used, if appropriate: random sample (where "random" refers to a formal, randomized selection in which all eligible subjects have a fixed and usually equal chance of selection); population-based sample; referred sample; consecutive sample; volunteer sample; convenience sample. These terms assist the reader to determine an important element of the generalizability of the study. They also supplement (rather than duplicate) the terms used by professional indexers when articles are entered into computerized databases.

5. **Intervention(s).** The essential features of any interventions should be described, including their method and duration of administration. The intervention should be named by its most common clinical name (for example, the generic term "chlorthalidone"). Common synonyms should be given as well to facilitate electronic text-word searching. This would include the brand name of a drug if a specific product was studied.

6. **Main Outcome Measure(s).** The primary study outcome measurement(s) should be indicated as planned before data collection began. If the paper does not emphasize the main planned outcomes

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of a study, this fact should be stated and the reason indicated. If the hypothesis being reported was formulated during or after data collection, this information should be clearly stated.

7. **Results.** The main results of the study should be given. Measurements that require explanation for the expected audience of the manuscript should be defined. Important measurements not included in the presentation of results should be declared. As relevant, it should be indicated whether observers were blinded to patient groupings, particularly for subjective measurements. Due to the current limitations of retrieval from electronic databases, results must be given in narrative or point form rather than tabular form if the abstract is to appear in computerized literature services such as MEDLINE. If possible, the results should be accompanied by confidence intervals (for example, 95%) and the exact level of statistical significance. For comparative studies, confidence intervals should relate to the differences between groups. For nonsignificant differences for the major study outcome measure(s), the clinically important difference sought should be stated and the confidence interval for the difference between the groups should be given. When risk changes or effect sizes are given, absolute values should be indicated so that the reader can determine the absolute as well as relative impact of the finding. Approaches such as "number needed to treat" to achieve a unit of benefit are encouraged when appropriate; reporting of relative differences alone is usually inappropriate. If appropriate, studies of screening and diagnostic tests should use the terms "sensitivity," "specificity," and "likelihood ratio." If predictive values or accuracy is given, prevalence or pretest likelihood should be given as well. No data should be reported in the abstract that do not appear in the rest of the manuscript.

8. **Conclusions.** Only those conclusions of the study that are directly supported by the evidence reported should be given, along with their clinical application (avoiding speculation and overgeneralization), and indicating whether additional study is required before the information should be used in usual clinical settings. Equal emphasis must be given to positive and negative findings of equal scientific merit.

To permit quick and selective scanning, the headings outlined above should be included in the abstract. For brevity, parts of the abstract can be written in phrases rather than complete sentences. (For example: "2. *Design.* Double-blind randomized trial," rather than "2. *Design.* The study was conducted as a double-blind, randomized trial.") This technique may make reading less smooth but facilitates selection scanning and allows more information to be conveyed per unit of space.

### Review Manuscripts (Including Meta-analyses)

Authors submitting review manuscripts and reports of the results of meta-analyses should prepare an abstract of no more than 250 words under the following headings: Objective, Data Sources, Study Selection, Data Extraction, Data Synthesis, and Conclusions. The content following each heading should be as follows:

1. **Objective.** The abstract should begin with a precise statement of the primary objective of the review. The focus of this statement should be guided by whether the review emphasizes factors such as cause, diagnosis, prognosis, therapy, or prevention. It should include information about the specific population, intervention, exposure, and test or outcome that is being reviewed.

2. **Data Sources.** A succinct summary of data sources should be given, including any time restrictions. Potential sources include experts or research institutions active in the field, computerized databases and published indexes, registries, abstract booklets, conference proceedings, references identified from bibliographies of pertinent articles and books, and companies or manufacturers of tests or agents being reviewed. If a bibliographic database is used, the exact indexing terms used for article retrieval should be stated, including any constraints (for example, English language or human subjects).

3. **Study Selection.** The abstract should describe the criteria used to select studies for detailed review from among studies identified as relevant to the topic. Details of selection should include particular populations, interventions, outcomes, or methodologic designs. The method used to apply these criteria should be specified (for example, blind review, consensus, multiple reviewers). The proportion of initially identified studies that met selection criteria should be stated.

4. **Data Extraction.** Guidelines used for abstracting data and assessing data quality and validity (such as criteria for causal inference) should be described. The method by which the guidelines were ap-

plied should be stated (for example, independent extraction by multiple observers).

5. **Data Synthesis.** The main results of the review, whether qualitative or quantitative, should be stated. Methods used to obtain these results should be outlined. Meta-analyses should state the major outcomes that were pooled and include odds ratios or effect sizes and, if possible, sensitivity analyses. Numerical results should be accompanied by confidence intervals, if applicable, and exact levels of statistical significance. Evaluations of screening and diagnostic tests should address issues of sensitivity, specificity, likelihood ratios, receiver operating characteristic curves, and predictive values. Assessments of prognosis could include summarizations of survival characteristics and related variables. Major identified sources of variation between studies should be stated, including differences in treatment protocols, co-interventions, confounders, outcome measures, length of follow-up, and dropout rates.

6. **Conclusions.** The conclusions and their applications should be clearly stated, limiting generalization to the domain of the review. The need for new studies may be suggested.

### Glossary of Methodologic Terms

**BEFORE-AFTER TRIAL.** Investigation of therapeutic alternatives in which individuals of one period and under one treatment are compared with individuals at a subsequent time, treated in a different fashion. If the disorder is not fatal and the "before" treatment is not curative, the same individuals may be studied in the before and after periods, strengthening the design through increased group comparability for the two periods. See also **CROSSOVER TRIAL**.

**BLIND or BLINDED.** Masked. Unaware. The term may be modified according to the purpose of the blinding. For example, clinicians or patients can be blind to the treatments that patients are receiving and observers can be blind to each other's assessments, making their observations uninfluenced by one another (see also **DOUBLE-BLIND**). To avoid confusion, the term **MASKED** is preferred in studies in which vision loss of patients is an outcome of interest.

**CASE-CONTROL STUDY (CASE-REFERENT OR CASE-COMPARISON STUDY).** Study generally used to test possible causes of a disease or disorder, in which individuals who have a designated disorder are compared with individuals who do not have the disorder with respect to previous current exposure to a putative causal factor. For example, persons with hepatic cancer (cases) are compared with persons without hepatic cancer (controls) and history of hepatitis B is determined for the two groups. A **CASE-CONTROL STUDY** is often referred to as a **RETROSPECTIVE STUDY** (even if patients are recruited prospectively) because the logic of the design leads from effect to cause.

**CASE SERIES.** A series of patients with a defined disorder. The term is usually used to describe a study reporting on a consecutive collection of patients treated in a similar manner, without a concurrent control group. For example, a surgeon might describe the characteristics of and outcomes for 100 consecutive patients with cerebral ischemia who received a revascularization procedure. See also **CONSECUTIVE SAMPLE**.

**COHORT.** A group of persons with a common characteristic or set of characteristics. Typically, the group is followed for a specified period to determine the incidence of a disorder or complications of an established disorder (that is, prognosis), as in **COHORT ANALYTIC STUDY** (prospective study) (see also **INCEPTION COHORT**).

**COHORT ANALYTIC STUDY.** Prospective investigation of the factors that might cause a disorder in which a cohort of individuals who do not have evidence of an outcome of interest but who are exposed to the putative cause are compared with a concurrent cohort who are also free of the outcome but not exposed to the putative cause. Both cohorts are then followed to compare the incidence of the outcome of interest.

**CONFOUNDER, CONFOUNDING VARIABLE.** A factor that distorts the true relationship of the study variables of central interest by virtue of being related to the outcome of interest but extraneous to the study question and unequally distributed among the groups being compared. For example, age might confound a study of the effect of a toxin on longevity if individuals exposed to the toxin were older than those not exposed.

**CONSECUTIVE SAMPLE.** Sample in which the units are chosen on a strict "first come, first chosen" basis. All individuals who are



eligible should be included as they are seen.

**CONVENIENCE SAMPLE.** Individuals or groups selected at the convenience of the investigator or primarily because they were available at a convenient time or place.

**COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS.** A form of economic assessment, usually from society's perspective, in which the costs of medical care are compared with the economic benefits of the care, with both costs and benefits expressed in units of currency. The benefits typically include reductions in future health care costs and increased earnings due to the improved health of those receiving the care.

**COST-EFFECTIVENESS ANALYSIS.** An economic evaluation in which alternative programs, services, or interventions are compared in terms of the cost per unit of clinical effect (for example, cost per life saved, cost per millimeter of mercury of blood pressure lowered, or cost per quality-adjusted life-year gained). The last form of measuring outcomes (and equivalents such as "healthy days of life gained") gives rise to what is also referred to as **COST-UTILITY ANALYSIS**.

**COST-UTILITY ANALYSIS.** See **COST-EFFECTIVENESS ANALYSIS**.

**CRITERION STANDARD.** Preferred term to "gold standard." A method having established or widely accepted accuracy for determining a diagnosis, providing a standard to which a new screening or diagnostic test can be compared. The method need not be a single or simple procedure but could include follow-up of patients to observe the evolution of their conditions or the consensus of an expert panel of clinicians, as is frequently used in the study of psychiatric conditions. **CRITERION STANDARD** can also be used in studies of the quality of care to indicate a level of performance, agreed to by experts or peers, to which the performance of individual practitioners or institutions can be compared.

**CROSSOVER TRIAL.** A method of comparing two or more treatments or interventions in which subjects or patients, on completion of the course of one treatment, are switched to another. Typically, allocation to the first treatment is by random process. Participants' performance in one period is used to judge their performance in others, usually reducing variability. See also **BEFORE-AFTER TRIAL**.

**DATA-SET.** Raw data gathered by investigators.

**DOUBLE-BLIND or DOUBLE MASK.** (1) Neither the subject nor the study staff (those responsible for patient treatment and data collection) are aware of the group or intervention to which the subject has been assigned. (2) Any condition in which two different groups of persons are purposely denied access to information in order to keep that information from influencing some measurement, observation, or process.

**ECONOMIC EVALUATION.** Comparative analysis of alternative courses of action in terms of both their costs and consequences.

**END POINT.** See **OUTCOMES**.

**GOLD STANDARD.** See **CRITERION STANDARD**.

**INCEPTION COHORT.** A designated group of persons, assembled at a common time early in the development of a specific clinical disorder (for example, at the time of first exposure to the putative cause or at the time of initial diagnosis), who are followed thereafter (see also **COHORT**).

**LIKELIHOOD RATIO.** For a screening or diagnostic test (including clinical signs or symptoms), expresses the relative odds that a given test result would be expected in a patient with (as opposed to one without) a disorder of interest.

**MASKED.** See **BLIND**.

**MATCHING.** The deliberate process of making a study group and a comparison group comparable with respect to factors that are extraneous to the purpose of the investigation but that might interfere with the interpretation of the study's findings (for example, in case-control studies, individual cases might be matched or paired with a specific control on the basis of comparable age, gender, clinical features, or a combination).

**NONRANDOMIZED CONTROL TRIAL.** Experiment in which assignment of patients to the intervention groups is at the convenience of the investigator or according to a preset plan that does not conform to the definition of **RANDOM**. See also **RANDOMIZED CONTROL TRIAL**.

**OUTCOMES.** All possible changes in health status that may occur in following subjects or that may stem from exposure to a causal factor or from preventive or therapeutic interventions. The narrower term **END POINTS** refers to health events that lead to completion or termination of follow-up of an individual in a trial or cohort

study, for example, death or major morbidity, particularly related to the study question.

**PRIMARY CARE.** Medical care provided by the clinician of first contact for the patient. Typically, the primary care physician is a general practitioner, family practitioner, primary care internist, or primary care pediatrician. Primary care may also be administered by health professionals other than physicians, notably, specially trained nurses (nurse practitioners) and paramedics. Usually, a general practitioner, family practitioner, nurse practitioner, or paramedic provides only primary care services but a person with specialty qualifications may provide primary care, alone or in combination with referral services (see also **REFERRED CARE**). Thus, it is the nature of the contact (first compared with referred) that determines the care designation rather than the qualifications of the practitioner.

**PRIMARY CARE CENTER, PRIMARY CARE SETTING.** Medical care facility that offers first-contact health care only. Patients requiring specialized medical care are referred elsewhere. Some primary care centers provide a mixture of primary and referred care. Thus it is the nature of the service provided (first contact) rather than the setting per se that distinguishes primary from more advanced levels of care. See also **PRIMARY CARE, REFERRED CARE, TERTIARY CARE CENTER**.

**PROSPECTIVE STUDY.** See **COHORT** and **COHORT ANALYTIC STUDY**.

**RANDOM.** Governed by a formal chance process in which the occurrence of previous events is of no value in predicting future events. The probability of assignment of, for example, a given subject to a specified treatment group is fixed and constant (typically 0.50) but the subject's actual assignment cannot be known until it occurs.

**RANDOM SAMPLE.** A sample derived by selecting sampling units (for example, individual patients) such that each unit has an independent and fixed (generally equal) chance of selection. Whether a given unit is selected is determined by chance (for example, by a table of randomly ordered numbers).

**RANDOMIZATION, RANDOM ALLOCATION.** Allocation of individuals to groups by chance, usually done with the aid of a table of random numbers. Not to be confused with systematic allocation (for example, on even and odd days of the month) or allocation at the convenience or discretion of the investigator.

**RANDOMIZED TRIAL (RANDOMIZED CONTROL [LED] TRIAL, RANDOMIZED CLINICAL TRIAL, RCT).** Experiment in which individuals are randomly allocated to receive or not receive an experimental preventive, therapeutic, or diagnostic procedure and then followed to determine the effect of the intervention.

**REFERRED CARE.** Medical care provided to a patient when referred by one health professional to another with more specialized qualifications or interests. There are two levels of referred care: secondary and tertiary. Secondary care is usually provided by a broadly skilled specialist such as a general surgeon, general internist, or obstetrician. Tertiary care is provided on referral of a patient to a subspecialist, such as an orthopedic surgeon, neurologist, or neonatologist. See also **TERTIARY CARE CENTER**.

**RETROSPECTIVE STUDY.** See **CASE-CONTROL STUDY**.

**SECONDARY CARE.** See **REFERRED CARE**.

**SENSITIVITY.** The sensitivity of a diagnostic or screening test is the proportion of people who truly have a designated disorder who are so identified by the test. The test may consist of or include clinical observations.

**SEQUENTIAL SAMPLE.** See **CONSECUTIVE SAMPLE**.

**SPECIFICITY.** The specificity of a diagnostic or screening test is the proportion of people who are truly free of a designated disorder who are so identified by the test. The test may consist of or include clinical observations.

**SURVEY.** Observational or descriptive, nonexperimental study in which individuals are systematically examined for the absence or presence (or degree of presence) of characteristics of interest.

**TERTIARY CARE.** See **REFERRED CARE**.

**TERTIARY CARE CENTER.** A tertiary care center is a medical facility that receives referrals from both primary and secondary care levels and usually offers tests, treatments, and procedures that are not available elsewhere. Most tertiary care centers offer a mixture of primary, secondary, and tertiary care services so that it is the specific level of service rendered rather than the facility that determines the designation of care in a given study. See also **REFERRED CARE**.



# SI Units

## Système International Conversion Factors for Frequently Used Laboratory Components

System*	Component	Present Reference Intervals (Examples)†	Present Conventional Unit‡	Conversion Factor	SI Reference Interval‡	SI Unit Symbol	Significant Digits§	Suggested Minimum Increment
<b>Hematology</b>								
(B) ErCs	Erythrocyte sedimentation rate							
	Female	0-30	mm/hr	1	0-30	mm/h	XX	
	Male	0-20	mm/hr	1	0-20	mm/h	XX	
B	Hematocrit							
	Female	33-43	%	0.01	0.33-0.43	1	0.XX	
	Male	39-49	%	0.01	0.39-0.49	1	0.XX	
B	Hemoglobin							
	Mass concentration							
	Female	12.0-15.0	g/dL	10	120-150	g/L	XXX	
	Male	13.6-17.2	g/dL	10	136-172	g/L	XXX	
	Substance concentration (Hb[Fe])							
	Female	12.0-15.0	g/dL	0.6206	7.45-9.31	mmol/L	XX.XX	
	Male	13.6-17.2	g/dL	0.6206	8.44-10.67	mmol/L	XX.XX	
(B) ErCs	Mean corpuscular hemoglobin							
	Mass concentration	27-33	pg	1	27-33	pg	XX	
	Substance concentration (Hb[Fe])	27-33	pg	0.06206	1.68-2.05	fmol	X.XX	
(B) ErCs	Mean corpuscular hemoglobin concentration							
	Mass concentration	33-37	g/dL	10	330-370	g/L	XX0	
	Substance concentration (Hb[Fe])	33-37	g/dL	0.6206	20-23	mmol/L	XX	
(B) ErCs	Mean corpuscular volume							
	Erythrocyte volume	76-100	cu $\mu$ m	1	76-100	fL	XXX	
B	Red blood cell count (erythrocytes)							
	Female	3.5-5.0	10 <sup>9</sup> /cu mm	1	3.5-5.0	10 <sup>9</sup> /L	X.X	
	Male	4.3-5.9	10 <sup>9</sup> /cu mm	1	4.3-5.1	10 <sup>9</sup> /L	X.X	
(Sf) ErCs	Red blood cell count	0	/cu mm	1	0	10 <sup>9</sup> /L	XX	
B	Reticulocyte count (adults)	10 000-75 000	/cu mm (Dual report)	0.001	10-75	10 <sup>9</sup> /L	XX	
	Number fraction	1-24	0/00 (No. per 1000 erythrocytes) (Dual report)	1	1-24	10 <sup>-3</sup>	XX	
		0.1-2.4	% (Dual report)	10	1-24	10 <sup>-3</sup>	XX	
B	Thrombocytes (platelets)	150-450	10 <sup>9</sup> /cu mm	1	150-450	10 <sup>9</sup> /L	XXX	
B Lkcs	White blood cell count	3200-9800	/cu mm	0.001	3.2-9.8	10 <sup>9</sup> /L	XX.X	
	Number fraction (differential)	...	%	0.01	...	1	0.XX	
(Sf) Lkcs	White blood cell count	0-5	/cu mm	1	0-5	10 <sup>9</sup> /L	XX	
<b>Clinical Chemistry</b>								
S	Alanine aminotransferase (ALAT)	0-35 (37°C)	Units/L	1.00	0-35	U/L	XX	1 U/L
			Karmen units/mL	0.482	...	U/L	XX	1 U/L
S	Albumin	4.0-6.0	g/dL	10.0	40-60	g/L	XX	1 g/L
S	$\alpha_1$ -Antitrypsin	150-350	mg/dL (Dual report)	0.01	1.5-3.5	g/L	X.X	0.1 g/L
P	Ammonia							
	As ammonia (NH <sub>3</sub> )	10-80	$\mu$ g/dL (Dual report)	0.5872	5-50	$\mu$ mol/L	XXX	5 $\mu$ mol/L
	As ammonium (NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup> )	10-85	$\mu$ g/dL (Dual report)	0.5543	5-50	$\mu$ mol/L	XXX	5 $\mu$ mol/L
	As nitrogen (N)	10-65	$\mu$ g/dL (Dual report)	0.7139	5-50	$\mu$ mol/L	XXX	5 $\mu$ mol/L
S	Amylase, enzymatic (Somogyi/Caraway)	0-130 (37°C)	Units/L	1.00	0-130	U/L	XXX	1 U/L
		50-150	Somogyi units/dL	1.850	100-300	U/L	XX0	10 U/L
S	Aspartate aminotransferase (ASAT)	0-35 (37°C)	Units/L	1.00	0-35	U/L	XX	1 U/L
			Karmen units/mL	0.482	...	U/L	XX	1 U/L
S	Bilirubin							
	Total	0.1-1.0	mg/dL (Dual report)	17.10	2-18	$\mu$ mol/L	XX	2 $\mu$ mol/L
	Conjugated	0-0.2	mg/dL (Dual report)	17.10	0-4	$\mu$ mol/L	XX	2 $\mu$ mol/L
S	Calcium							
	Male	8.8-10.3	mg/dL (Dual report)	0.2495	2.20-2.58	mmol/L	X.XX	0.02 mmol/L
	Female <50 y	8.8-10.0	mg/dL (Dual report)	0.2495	2.20-2.50	mmol/L	X.XX	0.02 mmol/L
U	Calcium, normal diet	<250	mg/24 hr	0.02495	<6.2	mmol/d	X.X	0.1 mmol/d
B, P, S	Carbon dioxide content (bicarbonate + CO <sub>2</sub> )	22-28	mEq/L	1.00	2-28	mmol/L	XX	1 mmol/L
S	Chloride	95-105	mEq/L	1.00	95-105	mmol/L	XXX	1 mmol/L
P	Cholesterol	<200	mg/dL (Dual report)	0.02586	<5.20	mmol/L	X.XX	0.05 mmol/L
P	Cholesterol esters, as a fraction of total cholesterol	60-75	%	0.01	0.60-0.75	1	X.XX	0.01

\*P represents plasma; B, blood; S, serum; U, urine; Sf, spinal fluid; ErCs, erythrocytes; and Lkcs, leukocytes.

†These reference values are not intended to be definitive since each laboratory determines its own values. They are provided for illustration only.

‡Present conventional units should be reported parenthetically after the SI units only for those units marked "Dual report."

§"Significant digits" refers to the number of digits used to describe the reported results. XX implies that results expressed to the nearest whole number are meaningful; XX0, that results are only meaningful when rounded to the nearest 10, and that results reported to lower numbers or decimal points are beyond the sensitivity of the procedure.

Systeme International Conversion Factors for Frequently Used Laboratory Components (cont)

System*	Component	Present Reference Intervals (Examples)†	Present Conventional Unit‡	Conversion Factor	SI Reference Intervals†	SI Unit Symbol	Significant Digits§	Suggested Minimum Increment
S	Complement, C3	70-160	mg/dL	0.01	0.7-1.6	g/L	X.X	0.1 g/L
S	Copper	70-140	µg/dL	0.1574	11.0-22.0	µmol/L	XX.X	0.2 µmol/L
U	Copper	<40	µg/24 hr	0.0574	<0.6	µmol/d	X.X	0.2 µmol/d
P	Corticotropin (ACTH)	20-100	pg/mL	0.2202	4-22	pmol/L	XX	1 pmol/L
S	Creatine Male	0.17-0.50	mg/dL	76.25	10-40	µmol/L	X0	10 µmol/L
	Female	0.35-0.93	mg/dL	76.25	30-70	µmol/L	X0	10 µmol/L
U	Creatine Male	0-40	mg/24 hr	7.625	0-300	µmol/d	XX0	10 µmol/L
	Female	0-80	mg/24 hr	7.625	0-600	µmol/d	XX0	10 µmol/d
S	Creatine kinase (CK)	0-130 (37°C)	Units/L	1.00	0-130	U/L	XXX	1 U/L
S	Creatine kinase isoenzymes, MB fraction	>5 in myocardial infarction	%	0.01	>0.05	1	X.XX	0.01
S	Creatinine	0.6-1.2	mg/dL (Dual report)	88.40	50-110	µmol/L	XX0	10 µmol/L
U	Creatinine	Variable	g/24 hr (Dual report)	0.040	Variable	mmol/d	XX.X	0.1 mmol/d
S, U	Creatinine clearance	75-125	mL/min (Dual report)	0.01667	1.24-2.08	mL/s	X.XX	0.02 mL/s
U	Cystine	10-100	mg/24 hr	4.161	40-420	µmol/d	XX0	10 µmol/d
P	Digoxin, therapeutic	0.5-2.2	ng/mL (Dual report)	1.281	0.6-2.8	nmol/L	X.X	0.1 nmol/L
		0.5-2.2	µg/L (Dual report)	1.281	0.6-2.8	nmol/L	X.X	0.1 nmol/L
P	Ethyl alcohol	>100	mg/dL	0.2171	>22	mmol/L	XX	1 mmol/L
P	Fibrinogen	200-400	mg/dL	0.01	2.0-4.0	g/L	X.X	0.1 g/L
P	Follicle-stimulating hormone (FSH) Female	2.0-15.0	mIU/mL	1.00	2-15	IU/L	XX	1 IU/L
	Peak production	20-50	mIU/mL	1.00	20-50	IU/L	XX	1 IU/L
	Male	1.0-10.0	mIU/mL	1.00	1-10	IU/L	XX	1 IU/L
U	Follicle-stimulating hormone (FSH) Follicular phase	2-15	IU/24 hr	1.00	2-15	IU/d	XXX	1 IU/d
	Midcycle	8-40	IU/24 hr	1.00	8-40	IU/d	XXX	1 IU/d
	Luteal phase	2-10	IU/24 hr	1.00	2-10	IU/d	XXX	1 IU/d
	Menopausal women	35-100	IU/24 hr	1.00	35-100	IU/d	XXX	1 IU/d
	Male	2-15	IU/24 hr	1.00	2-15	IU/d	XXX	1 IU/d
S	γ-Glutamyl transferase (GGT)	0-30 (30°C)	Units/L	1.00	0-30	U/L	XX	1 U/L
P	Glucose	70-110	mg/dL (Dual report)	0.05551	3.9-6.1	mmol/L	XX.X	0.1 mmol/L
B	Hemoglobin Male	14.0-18.0	g/dL	10.0	140-180	g/L	XXX	1 g/L
	Female	11.5-15.5	g/dL	10.0	115-155	g/L	XXX	1 g/L
S	Immunoglobulins IgG	500-1200	mg/dL	0.01	5.00-12.00	g/L	XX.XX	0.01 g/L
	IgA	50-350	mg/dL	0.01	0.50-3.50	g/L	XX.XX	0.01 g/L
	IgM	30-230	mg/dL	0.01	0.30-2.30	g/L	XX.XX	0.01 g/L
	IgD	<6	mg/dL	10	<60	mg/L	XX0	10 mg/L
	IgE 0-3 y	0.5-1.0	U/mL	2.4	1-24	µg/L	XX	1 µg/L
	3-80 y	5-100	U/mL	2.4	12-240	µg/L	XX	1 µg/L
S	Iron Male	80-180	µg/dL (Dual report)	0.1791	14-32	µmol/L	XX	1 µmol/L
	Female	60-160	µg/dL (Dual report)	0.1791	11-29	µmol/L	XX	1 µmol/L
S	Iron-binding capacity	250-460	µg/dL (Dual report)	0.1791	45-82	µmol/L	XX	1 µmol/L
S	Lactate dehydrogenase (L→P)	50-150 (37°C)	Units/L	1.00	50-150	U/L	XXX	1 U/L
			Wroblewski units/mL	0.482	...	U/L	XXX	1 U/L
S	Lactate, dehydrogenase isoenzymes LD <sub>1</sub>	15-40	%	0.01	0.15-0.40	1	X.XX	0.01
	LD <sub>2</sub>	20-45	%	0.01	0.20-0.45	1	X.XX	0.01
	LD <sub>3</sub>	15-30	%	0.01	0.15-0.30	1	X.XX	0.01
	LD <sub>4</sub> and LD <sub>5</sub>	5-20	%	0.01	0.05-0.20	1	X.XX	0.01
	LD <sub>1</sub>	10-60	Units/L	1	10-60	U/L	XX	1 U/L
	LD <sub>2</sub>	20-70	Units/L	1	20-70	U/L	XX	1 U/L
	LD <sub>3</sub>	10-45	Units/L	1	10-45	U/L	XX	1 U/L
	LD <sub>4</sub> and LD <sub>5</sub>	5-30	Units/L	1	5-30	U/L	XX	1 U/L
B	Lead, toxic	>60	µg/dL (Dual report)	0.04826	>2.90	µmol/L	X.XX	0.05 µmol/L
			mg/dL (Dual report)	48.26	...	µmol/L	X.XX	0.05 µmol/L
U	Lead, toxic	>80	µg/24 hr (Dual report)	0.004826	>0.40	µmol/d	X.XX	0.05 µmol/d

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Système International Conversion Factors for Frequently Used Laboratory Components (cont)

System*	Component	Present Reference Intervals (Examples)†	Present Conventional Units‡	Conversion Factor	SI Reference Intervals†	SI Unit Symbol	Significant Digits§	Suggested Minimum Increment
P	Lipids, total	400-850	mg/dL (Dual report)	0.01	4.0-8.5	g/L	X.X	0.1 g/L
P	Lipoproteins							
	Low-density (LDL), as cholesterol	50-190	mg/dL (Dual report)	0.02586	1.30-4.90	mmol/L	X.XX	0.05 mmol/L
	High-density (HDL), as cholesterol							
	Male	30-70	mg/dL (Dual report)	0.02586	0.80-1.80	mmol/L	X.XX	0.05 mmol/L
	Female	30-90	mg/dL (Dual report)	0.02586	0.80-2.35	mmol/L	X.XX	0.05 mmol/L
S	Magnesium	1.8-3.0	mg/dL (Dual report)	0.4114	0.80-1.20	mmol/L	X.XX	0.02 mmol/L
P	Phenytoin, therapeutic	10-20	mg/L	3.964	40-80	µmol/L	XX	5 µmol/L
P	Phosphatase, acid (prostatic)	0-3	King-Armstrong units/dL	1.77	0-5.5	U/L	X.X	0.05 U/L
			Bodansky units/dL	5.37	0-16.1	U/L	X.X	0.5 U/L
S	Phosphatase, alkaline	30-120	Units/L	1.00	30-120	U/L	XXX	1 U/L
			Bodansky units/dL	5.37	161-644	U/L	XXX	1 U/L
			King-Armstrong units/dL	7.1	213-852	U/L	XXX	1 U/L
S	Phosphate (as phosphorus)	2.5-5.0	mg/dL	0.3229	0.80-1.60	mmol/L	X.XX	0.05 mmol/L
S	Potassium	3.5-5.0	mEq/L	1.00	3.5-5.0	mmol/L	X.X	0.1 mmol/L
P	Progesterone							
	Follicular phase	<2	ng/mL (Dual report)	3.180	<6	nmol/L	XX	2 nmol/L
	Luteal phase	2-20	ng/mL (Dual report)	3.180	6-64	nmol/L	XX	2 nmol/L
S	Protein, total	6-8	g/dL	10.0	60-80	g/L	XX	1 g/L
SI	Protein, total	<40	mg/dL	0.01	<0.40	g/L	X.XX	0.01 g/L
U	Protein, total	<150	mg/24 hr	0.001	<0.15	g/d	X.XX	0.01 g/d
S	Sodium	135-147	mEq/L	1.00	135-147	mmol/L	XXX	1 mmol/L
S	Sodium ion	135-147	mEq/L	1.00	135-147	mmol/L	XXX	1 mmol/L
U	Sodium ion	Diet dependent	mEq/24 hr	1.00	Diet dependent	mmol/d	XXX	1 mmol/d
U	Steroids							
	Hydroxycorticosteroids (as cortisol)							
	Female	2-8	mg/24 hr	2.759	5-25	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
	Male	3-10	mg/24 hr	2.759	10-30	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
U	17-Ketogenic steroids (as dehydroepiandrosterone)							
	Female	7-12	mg/24 hr	3.467	25-40	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
	Male	9-17	mg/24 hr	3.467	30-60	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
U	17-Ketosteroids (as dehydroepiandrosterone)							
	Female	6-17	mg/24 hr	3.467	20-60	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
	Male	6-20	mg/24 hr	3.467	20-70	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
U	Ketosteroid fractions							
	Androsterone							
	Female	0.5-3.0	mg/24 hr	3.443	1-10	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
	Male	2.0-5.0	mg/24 hr	3.443	7-17	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
	Dehydroepiandrosterone							
	Female	0.2-1.8	mg/24 hr	3.467	1-6	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
	Male	0.2-2.0	mg/24 hr	3.467	1-7	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
	Etiocyanolone							
	Female	0.8-4.0	mg/24 hr	3.443	2-14	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
	Male	1.4-5.0	mg/24 hr	3.443	4-17	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
				58.07	580-870	µmol/L	XX0	10 µmol/L
P	Testosterone							
	Female	<0.6	ng/mL (Dual report)	3.467	<2.0	nmol/L	XX.X	0.5 nmol/L
	Male	4.0-8.0	ng/mL (Dual report)	3.467	14.0-28.0	nmol/L	XX.X	0.5 nmol/L
S	Triiodothyronine (T <sub>3</sub> )	75-220	ng/dL (Dual report)	0.01536	1.2-3.4	nmol/L	X.X	0.1 nmol/L
S	Urate (as uric acid)	2.0-7.0	mg/dL	59.48	120-420	µmol/L	XX0	10 µmol/L
U	Urate (as uric acid)	Diet dependent	g/24 hr	5.948	Diet dependent	mmol/d	XX	1 mmol/d
S	Urea nitrogen	8-18	mg/dL (Dual report)	0.3570	3.0-6.5	mmol/L of urea	X.X	0.5 mmol/L
U	Urea nitrogen	12-20 (diet dependent)	g/24 hr (Dual report)	35.70	430-700	mmol/d of urea	XX0	10 mmol/d
U	Urobilinogen	0-4.0	mg/24 hr	1.693	0.0-6.8	µmol/d	X.X	0.1 µmol/d
S	Zinc	75-120	µg/dL	0.1530	11.5-18.5	µmol/L	XX.X	0.1 µmol/L
U	Zinc	150-1200	µg/24 hr	0.0153	2.3-18.3	µmol/d	XX.X	0.1 µmol/d

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## Limiting Specific Interventions in Advance Directives

*To the Editor.*—The article by Dr Brett<sup>1</sup> on the limitations of health values forms is well-stated and thought-provoking. I agree that it is very important that each person state specific goals, such as relief of pain or a peaceful death. Perhaps all such lists should be preceded by a statement that requests a trial of such therapies if the proxy and the physician think it may restore a function important to the patient, such as the ability to communicate or to relieve pain.

The list of specific interventions would be honored only after such a trial fails or when the patient's condition seems hopeless or when there are therapies that violate a patient's known religious beliefs. I disagree that "if proxies or physicians [can] override the patient's . . . choices . . . little reason existed to complete a detailed checklist in the first place."<sup>1</sup> If the options chosen by those making advance directives are looked upon as guidelines rather than legally binding decisions, the listing of specific interventions serves several purposes.

It can serve as the basis for discussion between the person and the proxy and the physician about concerns that might cause them to forgo a beneficial therapy (eg, a fear of dialysis based on incorrect information). Many of us have had to deal with situations where the identity of the proxy was clear but the proxy had no clear understanding of the patient's wishes.

In states where certain therapies cannot be refused by the proxy unless there is clear and convincing evidence of the patient's wishes, the lack of a specific document may place the proxy and the physician in a difficult bind. In New Hampshire, the proxy must be able to document the patient's willingness to forgo artificially provided nutrition and hydration or the patient must be given such therapy.

A specific indication by the patient that in hopeless or terminal conditions

he or she would not want a given therapy can relieve the proxy of the feeling of guilt. It is not the rare family member who says, in essence, "I wouldn't want any more treatment for myself, but I don't want to be the one who pulls the plug."

My principal objection to lists of options matched to various scenarios, as promulgated by Emanuel and Emanuel<sup>2</sup> is that it implies that patients have a right to receive therapies even when their condition is hopeless. A pertinent example would be patients who are demented and terminally ill. The grid provided by Emanuel and Emanuel<sup>2</sup> would imply that such patients may request resuscitation, mechanical ventilation, and dialysis. I would hold that they not only have no right to such futile therapies, but that to offer it to them as an option is unethical.

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*To the Editor.*—Dr Brett's arguments against specifying unwanted interventions in health care directives<sup>1</sup> are exceptionally thoughtful and deserve serious attention. But, there are strong reasons for specification that also should be considered.

Physicians do not always feel able to honor patient wishes that are expressed only generally. Physicians who respect patient preferences can still get stuck—on uncertainty about just what a patient wants, or on what the law allows, or on opposition from other clinicians or the family. Specifying preferences can help resolve such problems.

Directives involve families, as well as physicians and patients. Physicians often seek family approval to withhold or withdraw life-sustaining procedures, even when patient wishes are known, and often will not honor patient choices if any family member objects. An im-

portant role of directives is to inform and persuade families, so that family members will accept patient choices and feel clear enough about choices to stand up to any resistance. Family members often need to see choices stated specifically to reach that clarity and resolve.

Brett worries that "intervention-focused directives will become the standard" for sufficiency, but physicians who are hostile to directives often act as if specificity is the standard already. General declarations about use of life-sustaining treatment are easier to circumvent than general assertions coupled with specific statements. Also, specific statements are more likely to generate discussion that reveals physician opposition at a time when the patient can respond. Too often, general preference statements result in conflict about when, and to what, they apply. By then, emotions can be running high, and many patients have lost the capacity to clarify their intentions.

The law in many states effectively requires that unwanted procedures be specified. Some statutes prohibit withholding or withdrawing life-sustaining treatments, particularly artificially provided nutrition and hydration, without specific instruction.

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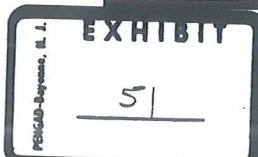
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To permit quick and selective scanning, the headings outlined above should be included in the abstract. For brevity, parts of the abstract can be written in phrases rather than complete sentences. (For example: "2. *Design.* Double-blind randomized trial," rather than "2. *Design.* The study was conducted as a double-blind, randomized trial.") This technique may make reading less smooth but facilitates selection scanning and allows more information to be conveyed per unit of space.

#### Review Manuscripts (Including Meta-analyses)

Authors submitting review manuscripts and reports of the results of meta-analyses should prepare an abstract of no more than 250 words under the following headings: Objective, Data Sources, Study Selection, Data Extraction, Data Synthesis, and Conclusions. The content following each heading should be as follows:

1. **Objective.** The abstract should begin with a precise statement of the primary objective of the review. The focus of this statement should be guided by whether the review emphasizes factors such as cause, diagnosis, prognosis, therapy, or prevention. It should include information about the specific population, intervention, exposure, and test or outcome that is being reviewed.

2. **Data Sources.** A succinct summary of data sources should be given, including any time restrictions. Potential sources include experts or research institutions active in the field, computerized databases and published indexes, registries, abstract booklets, conference proceedings, references identified from bibliographies of pertinent articles and books, and companies or manufacturers of tests or agents being reviewed. If a bibliographic database is used, the exact indexing terms used for article retrieval should be stated, including any constraints (for example, English language or human subjects).

3. **Study Selection.** The abstract should describe the criteria used to select studies for detailed review from among studies identified as relevant to the topic. Details of selection should include particular populations, interventions, outcomes, or methodologic designs. The method used to apply these criteria should be specified (for example, blind review, consensus, multiple reviewers). The proportion of initially identified studies that met selection criteria should be stated.

4. **Data Extraction.** Guidelines used for abstracting data and assessing data quality and validity (such as criteria for causal inference) should be described. The method by which the guidelines were ap-

plied should be stated (for example, independent extraction by multiple observers).

5. **Data Synthesis.** The main results of the review, whether qualitative or quantitative, should be stated. Methods used to obtain these results should be outlined. Meta-analyses should state the major outcomes that were pooled and include odds ratios or effect sizes and, if possible, sensitivity analyses. Numerical results should be accompanied by confidence intervals, if applicable, and exact levels of statistical significance. Evaluations of screening and diagnostic tests should address issues of sensitivity, specificity, likelihood ratios, receiver operating characteristic curves, and predictive values. Assessments of prognosis could include summarizations of survival characteristics and related variables. Major identified sources of variation between studies should be stated, including differences in treatment protocols, co-interventions, confounders, outcome measures, length of follow-up, and dropout rates.

6. **Conclusions.** The conclusions and their applications should be clearly stated, limiting generalization to the domain of the review. The need for new studies may be suggested.

#### Glossary of Methodologic Terms

**BEFORE-AFTER TRIAL.** Investigation of therapeutic alternatives in which individuals of one period and under one treatment are compared with individuals at a subsequent time, treated in a different fashion. If the disorder is not fatal and the "before" treatment is not curative, the same individuals may be studied in the before and after periods, strengthening the design through increased group comparability for the two periods. See also CROSSOVER TRIAL.

**BLIND or BLINDED. Masked.** Unaware. The term may be modified according to the purpose of the blinding. For example, clinicians or patients can be blind to the treatments that patients are receiving and observers can be blind to each other's assessments, making their observations uninfluenced by one another (see also DOUBLE-BLIND). To avoid confusion, the term MASKED is preferred in studies in which vision loss of patients is an outcome of interest.

**CASE-CONTROL STUDY (CASE-REFERENT OR CASE-COMPARISON STUDY).** Study generally used to test possible causes of a disease or disorder, in which individuals who have a designated disorder are compared with individuals who do not have the disorder with respect to previous current exposure to a putative causal factor. For example, persons with hepatic cancer (cases) are compared with persons without hepatic cancer (controls) and history of hepatitis B is determined for the two groups. A CASE-CONTROL STUDY is often referred to as a RETROSPECTIVE STUDY (even if patients are recruited prospectively) because the logic of the design leads from effect to cause.

**CASE SERIES.** A series of patients with a defined disorder. The term is usually used to describe a study reporting on a consecutive collection of patients treated in a similar manner, without a concurrent control group. For example, a surgeon might describe the characteristics of and outcomes for 100 consecutive patients with cerebral ischemia who received a revascularization procedure. See also CONSECUTIVE SAMPLE.

**COHORT.** A group of persons with a common characteristic or set of characteristics. Typically, the group is followed for a specified period to determine the incidence of a disorder or complications of an established disorder (that is, prognosis), as in COHORT ANALYTIC STUDY (prospective study) (see also INCEPTION COHORT).

**COHORT ANALYTIC STUDY.** Prospective investigation of the factors that might cause a disorder in which a cohort of individuals who do not have evidence of an outcome of interest but who are exposed to the putative cause are compared with a concurrent cohort who are also free of the outcome but not exposed to the putative cause. Both cohorts are then followed to compare the incidence of the outcome of interest.

**CONFOUNDER, CONFOUNDING VARIABLE.** A factor that distorts the true relationship of the study variables of central interest by virtue of being related to the outcome of interest but extraneous to the study question and unequally distributed among the groups being compared. For example, age might confound a study of the effect of a toxin on longevity if individuals exposed to the toxin were older than those not exposed.

**CONSECUTIVE SAMPLE.** Sample in which the units are chosen on a strict "first come, first chosen" basis. All individuals who are eligible should be included as they are seen.



**CONVENIENCE SAMPLE.** Individuals or groups selected at the convenience of the investigator or primarily because they were available at a convenient time or place.

**COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS.** A form of economic assessment, usually from society's perspective, in which the costs of medical care are compared with the economic benefits of the care, with both costs and benefits expressed in units of currency. The benefits typically include reductions in future health care costs and increased earnings due to the improved health of those receiving the care.

**COST-EFFECTIVENESS ANALYSIS.** An economic evaluation in which alternative programs, services, or interventions are compared in terms of the cost per unit of clinical effect (for example, cost per life saved, cost per millimeter of mercury of blood pressure lowered, or cost per quality-adjusted life-year gained). The last form of measuring outcomes (and equivalents such as "healthy days of life gained") gives rise to what is also referred to as **COST-UTILITY ANALYSIS**.

**COST-UTILITY ANALYSIS.** See **COST-EFFECTIVENESS ANALYSIS**.

**CRITERION STANDARD.** Preferred term to "gold standard." A method having established or widely accepted accuracy for determining a diagnosis, providing a standard to which a new screening or diagnostic test can be compared. The method need not be a single or simple procedure but could include follow-up of patients to observe the evolution of their conditions or the consensus of an expert panel of clinicians, as is frequently used in the study of psychiatric conditions. **CRITERION STANDARD** can also be used in studies of the quality of care to indicate a level of performance, agreed to by experts or peers, to which the performance of individual practitioners or institutions can be compared.

**CROSSOVER TRIAL.** A method of comparing two or more treatments or interventions in which subjects or patients, on completion of the course of one treatment, are switched to another. Typically, allocation to the first treatment is by random process. Participants' performance in one period is used to judge their performance in others, usually reducing variability. See also **BEFORE-AFTER TRIAL**.

**DATA-SET.** Raw data gathered by investigators.

**DOUBLE-BLIND or DOUBLE MASK.** (1) Neither the subject nor the study staff (those responsible for patient treatment and data collection) are aware of the group or intervention to which the subject has been assigned. (2) Any condition in which two different groups of persons are purposely denied access to information in order to keep that information from influencing some measurement, observation, or process.

**ECONOMIC EVALUATION.** Comparative analysis of alternative courses of action in terms of both their costs and consequences.

**END POINT.** See **OUTCOMES**.

**GOLD STANDARD.** See **CRITERION STANDARD**.

**INCEPTION COHORT.** A designated group of persons, assembled at a common time early in the development of a specific clinical disorder (for example, at the time of first exposure to the putative cause or at the time of initial diagnosis), who are followed thereafter (see also **COHORT**).

**LIKELIHOOD RATIO.** For a screening or diagnostic test (including clinical signs or symptoms), expresses the relative odds that a given test result would be expected in a patient with (as opposed to one without) a disorder of interest.

**MASKED.** See **BLIND**.

**MATCHING.** The deliberate process of making a study group and a comparison group comparable with respect to factors that are extraneous to the purpose of the investigation but that might interfere with the interpretation of the study's findings (for example, in case-control studies, individual cases might be matched or paired with a specific control on the basis of comparable age, gender, clinical features, or a combination).

**NONRANDOMIZED CONTROL TRIAL.** Experiment in which assignment of patients to the intervention groups is at the convenience of the investigator or according to a preset plan that does not conform to the definition of **RANDOM**. See also **RANDOMIZED CONTROL TRIAL**.

**OUTCOMES.** All possible changes in health status that may occur in following subjects or that may stem from exposure to a causal factor or from preventive or therapeutic interventions. The narrower term **END POINTS** refers to health events that lead to completion

or termination of follow-up of an individual in a trial or cohort study, for example, death or major morbidity, particularly related to the study question.

**PRIMARY CARE.** Medical care provided by the clinician of first contact for the patient. Typically, the primary care physician is a general practitioner, family practitioner, primary care internist, or primary care pediatrician. Primary care may also be administered by health professionals other than physicians, notably, specially trained nurses (nurse practitioners) and paramedics. Usually, a general practitioner, family practitioner, nurse practitioner, or paramedic provides only primary care services but a person with specialty qualifications may provide primary care, alone or in combination with referral services (see also **REFERRED CARE**). Thus, it is the nature of the contact (first compared with referred) that determines the care designation rather than the qualifications of the practitioner.

**PRIMARY CARE CENTER, PRIMARY CARE SETTING.** Medical care facility that offers first-contact health care only. Patients requiring specialized medical care are referred elsewhere. Some primary care centers provide a mixture of primary and referred care. Thus it is the nature of the service provided (first contact) rather than the setting per se that distinguishes primary from more advanced levels of care. See also **PRIMARY CARE, REFERRED CARE, TERTIARY CARE CENTER**.

**PROSPECTIVE STUDY.** See **COHORT** and **COHORT ANALYTIC STUDY**.

**RANDOM.** Governed by a formal chance process in which the occurrence of previous events is of no value in predicting future events. The probability of assignment of, for example, a given subject to a specified treatment group is fixed and constant (typically 0.50) but the subject's actual assignment cannot be known until it occurs.

**RANDOM SAMPLE.** A sample derived by selecting sampling units (for example, individual patients) such that each unit has an independent and fixed (generally equal) chance of selection. Whether a given unit is selected is determined by chance (for example, by a table of randomly ordered numbers).

**RANDOMIZATION, RANDOM ALLOCATION.** Allocation of individuals to groups by chance, usually done with the aid of a table of random numbers. Not to be confused with systematic allocation (for example, on even and odd days of the month) or allocation at the convenience or discretion of the investigator.

**RANDOMIZED TRIAL (RANDOMIZED CONTROL[LED] TRIAL, RANDOMIZED CLINICAL TRIAL, RCT).** Experiment in which individuals are randomly allocated to receive or not receive an experimental preventive, therapeutic, or diagnostic procedure and then followed to determine the effect of the intervention.

**REFERRED CARE.** Medical care provided to a patient when referred by one health professional to another with more specialized qualifications or interests. There are two levels of referred care: secondary and tertiary. Secondary care is usually provided by a broadly skilled specialist such as a general surgeon, general internist, or obstetrician. Tertiary care is provided on referral of a patient to a subspecialist, such as an orthopedic surgeon, neurologist, or neonatologist. See also **TERTIARY CARE CENTER**.

**RETROSPECTIVE STUDY.** See **CASE-CONTROL STUDY**.

**SECONDARY CARE.** See **REFERRED CARE**.

**SENSITIVITY.** The sensitivity of a diagnostic or screening test is the proportion of people who truly have a designated disorder who are so identified by the test. The test may consist of or include clinical observations.

**SEQUENTIAL SAMPLE.** See **CONSECUTIVE SAMPLE**.

**SPECIFICITY.** The specificity of a diagnostic or screening test is the proportion of people who are truly free of a designated disorder who are so identified by the test. The test may consist of or include clinical observations.

**SURVEY.** Observational or descriptive, nonexperimental study in which individuals are systematically examined for the absence or presence (or degree of presence) of characteristics of interest.

**TERTIARY CARE.** See **REFERRED CARE**.

**TERTIARY CARE CENTER.** A tertiary care center is a medical facility that receives referrals from both primary and secondary care levels and usually offers tests, treatments, and procedures that are not available elsewhere. Most tertiary care centers offer a mixture of primary, secondary, and tertiary care services so that it is the specific level of service rendered rather than the facility that determines the designation of care in a given study. See also **REFERRED CARE**.



# SI Units

## Système International Conversion Factors for Frequently Used Laboratory Components

System*	Component	Present Reference Intervals (Examples)†	Present Conventional Unit‡	Conversion Factor	SI Reference Intervals†	SI Unit Symbol	Significant Digits§	Suggested Minimum Increment
<b>Hematology</b>								
(B) ErCs	Erythrocyte sedimentation rate							
	Female	0-30	mm/hr	1	0-30	mm/h	XX	
	Male	0-20	mm/hr	1	0-20	mm/h	XX	
B	Hematocrit							
	Female	33-43	%	0.01	0.33-0.43	1	0.XX	
	Male	39-49	%	0.01	0.39-0.49	1	0.XX	
B	Hemoglobin							
	Mass concentration							
	Female	12.0-15.0	g/dL	10	120-150	g/L	XXX	
	Male	13.6-17.2	g/dL	10	136-172	g/L	XXX	
	Substance concentration (HB[Fe])							
	Female	12.0-15.0	g/dL	0.6206	7.45-9.31	mmol/L	XX.XX	
	Male	13.6-17.2	g/dL	0.6206	8.44-10.67	mmol/L	XX.XX	
(B) ErCs	Mean corpuscular hemoglobin							
	Mass concentration	27-33	pg	1	27-33	pg	XX	
	Substance concentration (Hb[Fe])	27-33	pg	0.06206	1.68-2.05	fmol	X.XX	
(B) ErCs	Mean corpuscular hemoglobin concentration							
	Mass concentration	33-37	g/dL	10	330-370	g/L	XX0	
	Substance concentration (Hb[Fe])	33-37	g/dL	0.6206	20-23	mmol/L	XX	
(B) ErCs	Mean corpuscular volume							
	Erythrocyte volume	76-100	cu $\mu$ m	1	76-100	fL	XXX	
B	Red blood cell count (erythrocytes)							
	Female	3.5-5.0	$10^9$ /cu mm	1	3.5-5.0	$10^9$ /L	X.X	
	Male	4.3-5.9	$10^9$ /cu mm	1	4.3-5.1	$10^9$ /L	X.X	
(Sf) ErCs	Red blood cell count	0	/cu mm	1	0	$10^9$ /L	XX	
B	Reticulocyte count (adults)	10 000-75 000	/cu mm (Dual report)	0.001	10-75	$10^9$ /L	XX	
	Number fraction	1-24	0/00 (No. per 1000 erythrocytes) (Dual report)	1	1-24	$10^{-3}$	XX	
		0.1-2.4	% (Dual report)	10	1-24	$10^{-3}$	XX	
B	Thrombocytes (platelets)	150-450	$10^9$ /cu mm	1	150-450	$10^9$ /L	XXX	
B Lkcs	White blood cell count	3200-9800	/cu mm	0.001	3.2-9.8	$10^9$ /L	XX.X	
	Number fraction (differential)	...	%	0.01	...	1	0.XX	
(Sf) Lkcs	White blood cell count	0-5	/cu mm	1	0-5	$10^9$ /L	XX	
<b>Clinical Chemistry</b>								
S	Alanine aminotransferase (ALAT)	0-35 (35°C)	Units/L	1.00	0-35	U/L	XX	1 U/L
			Karmen units/mL	0.482	...	U/L	XX	1 U/L
S	Albumin	4.0-6.0	g/dL	10.0	40-60	g/L	XX	1 g/L
S	$\alpha_1$ -Antitrypsin	150-350	mg/dL (Dual report)	0.01	1.5-3.5	g/L	X.X	0.1 g/L
P	Ammonia							
	As ammonia (NH <sub>3</sub> )	10-80	$\mu$ g/dL (Dual report)	0.5872	5-50	$\mu$ mol/L	XXX	5 $\mu$ mol/L
	As ammonium (NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup> )	10-85	$\mu$ g/dL (Dual report)	0.5543	5-50	$\mu$ mol/L	XXX	5 $\mu$ mol/L
	As nitrogen (N)	10-65	$\mu$ g/dL (Dual report)	0.7139	5-50	$\mu$ mol/L	XXX	5 $\mu$ mol/L
S	Amylase, enzymatic (Somogyi/Caraway)	0-130 (37°C)	Units/L	1.00	0-130	U/L	XXX	1 U/L
		50-150	Somogyi units/dL	1.850	100-300	U/L	XX0	10 U/L
S	Aspartate aminotransferase (ASAT)	0-35 (37°C)	Units/L	1.00	0-35	U/L	XX	1 U/L
			Karmen units/mL	0.482	...	U/L	XX	1 U/L
S	Bilirubin							
	Total	0.1-1.0	mg/dL (Dual report)	17.10	2-18	$\mu$ mol/L	XX	2 $\mu$ mol/L
	Conjugated	0-0.2	mg/dL (Dual report)	17.10	0-4	$\mu$ mol/L	XX	2 $\mu$ mol/L
S	Calcium							
	Male	8.8-10.3	mg/dL (Dual report)	0.2495	2.20-2.58	mmol/L	X.XX	0.02 mmol/L
	Female <50 y	8.8-10.0	mg/dL (Dual report)	0.2495	2.20-2.50	mmol/L	X.XX	0.02 mmol/L
U	Calcium, normal diet	<250	mg/24 hr	0.02495	<6.2	mmol/d	X.X	0.1 mmol/d
B, P, S	Carbon dioxide content (bicarbonate + CO <sub>2</sub> )	22-28	mEq/L	1.00	2-28	mmol/L	XX	1 mmol/L
S	Chloride	95-105	mEq/L	1.00	95-105	mmol/L	XXX	1 mmol/L
P	Cholesterol	<200	mg/dL (Dual report)	0.02586	<5.20	mmol/L	X.XX	0.05 mmol/L
P	Cholesterol esters, as a fraction of total cholesterol	60-75	%	0.01	0.60-0.75	1	X.XX	0.01

\*P represents plasma; B, blood; S, serum; U, urine; Sf, spinal fluid; ErCs, erythrocytes; and Lkcs, leukocytes.

†These reference values are not intended to be definitive since each laboratory determines its own values. They are provided for illustration only.

‡Present conventional units should be reported parenthetically after the SI units only for those units marked "Dual report."

§"Significant digits" refers to the number of digits used to describe the reported results. XX implies that results expressed to the nearest whole number are meaningful; XX0, that results are only meaningful when rounded to the nearest 10, and that results reported to lower numbers or decimal points are beyond the sensitivity of the procedure.

Systeme International Conversion Factors for Frequently Used Laboratory Components (cont)

System*	Component	Present Reference Intervals (Examples)†	Present Conventional Unit‡	Conversion Factor	SI Reference Interval‡	SI Unit Symbol	Significant Digits§	Suggested Minimum Increment
S	Complement, C3	70-160	mg/dL	0.01	0.7-1.6	g/L	X.X	0.1 g/L
S	Copper	70-140	µg/dL	0.1574	11.0-22.0	µmol/L	XX.X	0.2 µmol/L
U	Copper	<40	µg/24 hr	0.0574	<0.6	µmol/d	X.X	0.2 µmol/d
P	Corticotropin (ACTH)	20-100	pg/mL	0.2202	4-22	pmol/L	XX	1 pmol/L
S	Creatine							
	Male	0.17-0.50	mg/dL	76.25	10-40	µmol/L	X0	10 µmol/L
	Female	0.35-0.93	mg/dL	76.25	30-70	µmol/L	X0	10 µmol/L
U	Creatine							
	Male	0-40	mg/24 hr	7.625	0-300	µmol/d	XX0	10 µmol/d
	Female	0-80	mg/24 hr	7.625	0-600	µmol/d	XX0	10 µmol/d
S	Creatine kinase (CK)	0-130 (37°C)	Units/L	1.00	0-130	U/L	XXX	1 U/L
S	Creatine kinase isoenzymes, MB fraction	>5 in myocardial infarction	%	0.01	>0.05	1	X.XX	0.01
S	Creatinine	0.6-1.2	mg/dL (Dual report)	88.40	50-110	µmol/L	XX0	10 µmol/L
U	Creatinine	Variable	g/24 hr (Dual report)	8.840	Variable	mmol/d	XX.X	0.1 mmol/d
S, U	Creatinine clearance	75-125	mL/min (Dual report)	0.01667	1.24-2.08	mL/s	X.XX	0.02 mL/s
U	Cystine	10-100	mg/24 hr	4.161	40-420	µmol/d	XX0	10 µmol/d
P	Digoxin, therapeutic	0.5-2.2	ng/mL (Dual report)	1.281	0.6-2.8	nmo/L	X.X	0.1 nmo/L
		0.5-2.2	µg/L (Dual report)	1.281	0.6-2.8	nmo/L	X.X	0.1 nmo/L
				0.2171	>22	mmol/L	XX	1 mmol/L
P	Ethyl alcohol	>100	mg/dL	0.01	2.0-4.0	g/L	X.X	0.1 g/L
P	Fibrinogen	200-400	mg/dL	0.01	2.0-4.0	g/L	X.X	0.1 g/L
P	Follicle-stimulating hormone (FSH)							
	Female	2.0-15.0	mIU/mL	1.00	2-15	IU/L	XX	1 IU/L
	Peak production	20-50	mIU/mL	1.00	20-50	IU/L	XX	1 IU/L
	Male	1.0-10.0	mIU/mL	1.00	1-10	IU/L	XX	1 IU/L
U	Follicle-stimulating hormone (FSH)							
	Follicular phase	2-15	IU/24 hr	1.00	2-15	IU/d	XXX	1 IU/d
	Midcycle	8-40	IU/24 hr	1.00	8-40	IU/d	XXX	1 IU/d
	Luteal phase	2-10	IU/24 hr	1.00	2-10	IU/d	XXX	1 IU/d
	Menopausal women	35-100	IU/24 hr	1.00	35-100	IU/d	XXX	1 IU/d
	Male	2-15	IU/24 hr	1.00	2-15	IU/d	XXX	1 IU/d
S	γ-Glutamyl transferase (GGT)	0-30 (30°C)	Units/L	1.00	0-30	U/L	XX	1 U/L
P	Glucose	70-110	mg/dL (Dual report)	0.05551	3.9-6.1	mmol/L	XX.X	0.1 mmol/L
B	Hemoglobin							
	Male	14.0-18.0	g/dL	10.0	140-180	g/L	XXX	1 g/L
	Female	11.5-15.5	g/dL	10.0	115-155	g/L	XXX	1 g/L
S	Immunoglobulins							
	IgG	500-1200	mg/dL	0.01	5.00-12.00	g/L	XX.XX	0.01 g/L
	IgA	50-350	mg/dL	0.01	0.50-3.50	g/L	XX.XX	0.01 g/L
	IgM	30-230	mg/dL	0.01	0.30-2.30	g/L	XX.XX	0.01 g/L
	IgD	<6	mg/dL	10	<60	mg/L	XX0	10 mg/L
	IgE							
	0-3 y	0.5-1.0	U/mL	2.4	1-24	µg/L	XX	1 µg/L
	3-80 y	5-100	U/mL	2.4	12-240	µg/L	XX	1 µg/L
S	Iron							
	Male	80-180	µg/dL (Dual report)	0.1791	14-32	µmol/L	XX	1 µmol/L
	Female	60-160	µg/dL (Dual report)	0.1791	11-29	µmol/L	XX	1 µmol/L
S	Iron-binding capacity	250-460	µg/dL (Dual report)	0.1791	45-82	µmol/L	XX	1 µmol/L
S	Lactate dehydrogenase (L→P)	50-150 (37°C)	Units/L	1.00	50-150	U/L	XXX	1 U/L
			Wroblewski units/mL	0.482	...	U/L	XXX	1 U/L
S	Lactate, dehydrogenase isoenzymes							
	LD <sub>1</sub>	15-40	%	0.01	0.15-0.40	1	X.XX	0.01
	LD <sub>2</sub>	20-45	%	0.01	0.20-0.45	1	X.XX	0.01
	LD <sub>3</sub>	15-30	%	0.01	0.15-0.30	1	X.XX	0.01
	LD <sub>4</sub> and LD <sub>5</sub>	5-20	%	0.01	0.05-0.20	1	X.XX	0.01
	LD <sub>1</sub>	10-60	Units/L	1	10-60	U/L	XX	1 U/L
	LD <sub>2</sub>	20-70	Units/L	1	20-70	U/L	XX	1 U/L
	LD <sub>3</sub>	10-45	Units/L	1	10-45	U/L	XX	1 U/L
	LD <sub>4</sub> and LD <sub>5</sub>	5-30	Units/L	1	5-30	U/L	XX	1 U/L
				0.04826	>2.90	µmol/L	X.XX	0.05 µmol/L
B	Lead, toxic	>60	µg/dL (Dual report)	48.26	...	µmol/L	X.XX	0.05 µmol/L
			mg/dL (Dual report)	0.004826	>0.40	µmol/d	X.XX	0.05 µmol/d
U	Lead, toxic	>80	µg/24 hr (Dual report)	0.004826	>0.40	µmol/d	X.XX	0.05 µmol/d

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Système International Conversion Factors for Frequently Used Laboratory Components (cont)

System*	Component	Present Reference Intervals (Examples)†	Present Conventional Unit‡	Conversion Factor	SI Reference Interval‡	SI Unit Symbol	Significant Digits§	Suggested Minimum Increment
P	Lipids, total	400-850	mg/dL (Dual report)	0.01	4.0-8.5	g/L	X.X	0.1 g/L
P	Lipoproteins							
	Low-density (LDL), as cholesterol	50-190	mg/dL (Dual report)	0.02586	1.30-4.90	mmol/L	X.XX	0.05 mmol/L
	High-density (HDL), as cholesterol							
	Male	30-70	mg/dL (Dual report)	0.02586	0.80-1.80	mmol/L	X.XX	0.05 mmol/L
	Female	30-90	mg/dL (Dual report)	0.02586	0.80-2.35	mmol/L	X.XX	0.05 mmol/L
S	Magnesium	1.8-3.0	mg/dL (Dual report)	0.4114	0.80-1.20	mmol/L	X.XX	0.02 mmol/L
P	Phenytoin, therapeutic	10-20	mg/L	3.964	40-80	µmol/L	XX	5 µmol/L
P	Phosphatase, acid (prostatic)	0-3	King-Armstrong units/dL	1.77	0-5.5	U/L	X.X	0.05 U/L
			Bodansky units/dL	5.37	0-16.1	U/L	X.X	0.5 U/L
S	Phosphatase, alkaline	30-120	Units/L	1.00	30-120	U/L	XXX	1 U/L
			Bodansky units/dL	5.37	161-644	U/L	XXX	1 U/L
			King-Armstrong units/dL	7.1	213-852	U/L	XXX	1 U/L
S	Phosphate (as phosphorus)	2.5-5.0	mg/dL (Dual report)	0.3229	0.80-1.60	mmol/L	X.XX	0.05 mmol/L
S	Potassium	3.5-5.0	mEq/L	1.00	3.5-5.0	mmol/L	X.X	0.1 mmol/L
P	Progesterone							
	Follicular phase	<2	ng/mL (Dual report)	3.180	<6	nmol/L	XX	2 nmol/L
	Luteal phase	2-20	ng/mL (Dual report)	3.180	6-64	nmol/L	XX	2 nmol/L
S	Protein, total	6-8	g/dL	10.0	60-80	g/L	XX	1 g/L
Sf	Protein, total	<40	mg/dL	0.01	<0.40	g/L	X.XX	0.01 g/L
U	Protein, total	<150	mg/24 hr	0.001	<0.15	g/d	X.XX	0.01 g/d
S	Sodium	135-147	mEq/L	1.00	135-147	mmol/L	XXX	1 mmol/L
S	Sodium ion	135-147	mEq/L	1.00	135-147	mmol/L	XXX	1 mmol/L
U	Sodium ion	Diet dependent	mEq/24 hr	1.00	Diet dependent	mmol/d	XXX	1 mmol/d
U	Steroids							
	Hydrocorticosteroids (as cortisol)							
	Female	2-8	mg/24 hr	2.759	5-25	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
	Male	3-10	mg/24 hr	2.759	10-30	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
U	17-Ketogenic steroids (as dehydroepiandrosterone)							
	Female	7-12	mg/24 hr	3.467	25-40	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
	Male	9-17	mg/24 hr	3.467	30-60	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
U	17-Ketosteroids (as dehydroepiandrosterone)							
	Female	6-17	mg/24 hr	3.467	20-60	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
	Male	6-20	mg/24 hr	3.467	20-70	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
U	Ketosteroid fractions							
	Androsterone							
	Female	0.5-3.0	mg/24 hr	3.443	1-10	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
	Male	2.0-5.0	mg/24 hr	3.443	7-17	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
	Dehydroepiandrosterone							
	Female	0.2-1.8	mg/24 hr	3.467	1-6	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
	Male	0.2-2.0	mg/24 hr	3.467	1-7	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
	Etiocholanolone							
	Female	0.8-4.0	mg/24 hr	3.443	2-14	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
	Male	1.4-5.0	mg/24 hr	3.443	4-17	µmol/d	XX	1 µmol/d
				58.07	580-870	µmol/L	XX0	10 µmol/L
P	Testosterone							
	Female	<0.6	ng/mL (Dual report)	3.467	<2.0	nmol/L	XX.X	0.5 nmol/L
	Male	4.0-8.0	ng/mL (Dual report)	3.467	14.0-28.0	nmol/L	XX.X	0.5 nmol/L
S	Triiodothyronine (T <sub>3</sub> )	75-220	ng/dL (Dual report)	0.01536	1.2-3.4	nmol/L	X.X	0.1 nmol/L
S	Urate (as uric acid)	2.0-7.0	mg/dL	59.48	120-420	µmol/L	XX0	10 µmol/L
U	Urate (as uric acid)	Diet dependent	g/24 hr	5.948	Diet dependent	mmol/d	XX	1 mmol/d
S	Urea nitrogen	8-18	mg/dL (Dual report)	0.3570	3.0-6.5	mmol/L of urea	X.X	0.5 mmol/L
U	Urea nitrogen	12-20 (diet dependent)	g/24 hr (Dual report)	35.70	430-700	mmol/d of urea	XX0	10 mmol/d
U	Urobilinogen	0-4.0	mg/24 hr	1.693	0.0-6.8	µmol/d	X.X	0.1 µmol/d
S	Zinc	75-120	µg/dL	0.1530	11.5-18.5	µmol/L	XX.X	0.1 µmol/L
U	Zinc	150-1200	µg/24 hr	0.0153	2.3-18.3	µmol/d	XX.X	0.1 µmol/d

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## National Health Care Reform: The Aura of Inevitability Intensifies

*To the Editor.*—In his Editorial “National Health Care Reform,” Dr Lundberg<sup>1</sup> repeats the common misconception that specialists “do expensive things.” He talks about the “incentive/disincentive of paying much for procedures (whether or not they are needed or effective) and little for primary care.” It made me angry to read in print once again the false conception of what specialists do and what specialists can offer. It is often the primary practitioner in defending his own economic turf who states that the minute you go to a specialist, he will “do something,” meaning he will do some type of expensive procedure. In dermatology, we like to consider ourselves as “primary care doctors of the skin.” We feel patients should have direct access to our services and knowledge, and it should not be a financial burden to send anyone to us or to have to have a patient be able to walk in themselves. We don’t look for expensive procedures to do—we just try to diagnose the problem accurately and make the patient better.

Health maintenance organizations (HMOs) buy the hypothesis that primary care physicians will always save money, and God forbid, self-referral to a dermatologist will actually cost money. Quite the contrary! I propose that HMO patients with skin conditions should be required to see a dermatologist first! It will save money.

It is also known that when presented with a list of 20 of the most common dermatologic diagnoses, most primary care physicians are lucky to diagnose 60% of these correctly the first time. Dermatologists are often in the 90% range. If that is doing something, to me it is doing the right thing—it is making the right diagnosis and using the right medicine the first time.

Please do not repeat the mistake that dermatologists should not be the first point of entry to the medical care system if a patient has a skin condition. Doesn’t it save money to get the diagnosis right the first time and not try shotgun therapy after shotgun therapy searching for whatever might work? Why is primary access directly to the dermatologist by a patient such anathema?

The definition of specialist does not mean “invasive procedure-oriented practitioner looking for a way to use his new medical instrument.” To me, the definition of specialist as it applies to dermatology means the person best trained to diagnose and cure a problem related to the skin. I would hope that our patients, in HMOs or otherwise, have access to us the first time, not at the end of a long chain of physicians trying to guess what is wrong by trying to guess what might fix it.

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1. Lundberg GD. National health care reform: the aura of inevitability intensifies. *JAMA*. 1992;267:2521-2524.

*To the Editor.*—The recent Editorial dealing with the scope of proposals for health care reform in the United States demonstrated the pressures for such reform.<sup>1</sup> But it did not explore either the adverse reactions of the people in or con-

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templating entering the medical profession or the implications for the future of health care of some of the current changes and those being proposed, if they lead to a decrease in the number and quality of individuals interested in the profession.

The double burdens of malpractice and micromanagement are rapidly becoming intolerable. The people driving these problems—trial lawyers and medical bureaucrats—are having such a profoundly demoralizing effect on the medical community that many physicians I know are becoming disenchanted, considering early retirement or career changes, and discouraging their own children (as well as anyone else who asks) from going into the profession. This will dilute the quality of practitioners. Within a generation or two—if the current problems persist—few bright, aggressive people will be interested in medicine. One must ask oneself what this will mean for the quality of medical care in the United States, particularly for the 85% of the people currently insured.

Whatever solutions for rising costs are adopted must take into consideration tort reform and preservation of physician autonomy or there will be no system to be reformed. And it is urgent that these problems be addressed at once.

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*To the Editor.*—I was impressed with the power and simplicity of your graphic demonstration that the rapidly increasing portion of the US gross national product (GNP) that is spent on medical care has not proportionally advanced the mean life expectancy.<sup>1</sup> The rapid rise in the percentage of GNP spent for medical care since 1967 without increased life expectancy led you to doubt that US medicine provides a proportional value for this expense.

While life expectancy has little relation to health care expense, the median age of the US population may be the engine that is driving the explosion in percentage of the GNP used for health care costs (Figure).<sup>2,3</sup> Both of these measures began their rapid and unrelenting increases about 1970, and predict a difficult and expensive future. This dramatic aging of the US population is both the result of our most impressive medical successes and the cause of our medical economic

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**Mandatory National Health Service**

*To the Editor.*—I had to write a response to the article concerning mandatory national health service by Dr Johns.<sup>1</sup>

Ideas concerning future medical delivery systems have been expressed well by authors of various articles in *JAMA* over the last few years. I am beginning to tire of articles emphatically pushing the "right" to medical care, the fact that "universal access" will solve all our medical problems, and the "fact" that specialists are always high-priced, do inappropriate procedures, and are now concerned about their financial bottom line. Now, to paraphrase Johns, "public service physicians would insure society's goal of competent, compassionate, and dedicated physicians."

I have spent time in Haiti, Romania, and Mexico donating medical time, equipment, and service. In all situations I've found that I have most enjoyed giving medical care when my efforts have been received with gratitude, even when all I had to offer was compassion. Often my "payment" has been only a smile or a handshake, sometimes a Haitian dollar, or a small item presented as a gift.

This type of care is not "free"—it is an interaction involving gratitude on behalf of the patient and humility on the part of the provider.

In this life, we all learn that you don't get something for nothing, and this unfortunately is implied when we accept health care as a right. Nationalizing our health care system will generate negative and demanding attitudes in physicians and patients. My friends in third world countries, as well as I, have had a very difficult time finding competence, compassion, and dedication as common attributes in public "servants."

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1. Johns MME. Mandatory national health service: an idea whose time has come. *JAMA*. 1993;269:3156-3157.

*To the Editor.*—While it is gratifying to read that someone from Johns Hopkins acknowledges family medicine and general internal medicine in one sentence, the recommendations made by Dr Johns<sup>1</sup> for health care reform exhibit a naivete about primary care that seems to characterize overspecialized institutions such as Johns Hopkins.

Johns recommends a dual track in which "the path of the young physician would divide into those pursuing generalist training and those pursuing specialist training. For the first group, the internship year would be followed immediately by 2 years of advanced generalist residency training... [M]edical school graduates pursuing specialist training... would go directly into 2 years of national health service..."

Johns here establishes a false Cartesian duality that maintains that primary care medicine is not a specialty and suggests that primary care can be adequately provided by internship-level "warm bodies" awaiting "specialty" training.

From my own experience as a National Health Corps physician in New Mexico (two cases of plague, several cases of

pertussis, one clostridial sepsis, complicated diabetes and congestive heart failure, heroin addiction, medical problems complicated by chronic psychiatric disorders, eclampsia, histiocytosis, myxedema, thyroid storm, and more), I do not believe that a physician with 12 months of internship can provide adequate primary care.

The success of any health reform plan depends not on the placement of "warm bodies" in certain locales, but on the training of primary care specialists who can provide quality and cost-effective care. Comparisons of family medicine specialists and general internists have found that family physicians order fewer blood and x-ray examinations,<sup>2</sup> charge less,<sup>3</sup> hospitalize for fewer days,<sup>4</sup> and consult less,<sup>5</sup> without compromising the quality of care.

Consequently, any national health service program that relies on interns to provide sophisticated primary care in today's complex medical-social environment is likely to shortchange the public in quality while further inflating the cost of medical care.

While some form of national health service will do much to address inequalities in access to medical care, a true plan for health care reform would recognize primary care as a sophisticated and demanding specialty.

I would like to see only one primary care residency lasting 3 years. After 3 years of primary care training (focusing on cost-effective outpatient medical care), family physicians would complete an additional year in obstetrics and neonatology; pediatricians, an additional year in pediatrics; and medical subspecialists would go on to complete their fellowships. Such a program would best serve the health of the public.

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*To the Editor.*—The Editorial by Dr Johns<sup>1</sup> is an important reminder to the health care task force that the success of any reform depends ultimately on the people who will implement it. Currently there are too few general practitioners in areas

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Mr. Zaid  
Mr. Gordon, Organizer Doug Carlson, Fellow

Panelists - both groups - Fellow students of American History.

Good morning. Commend Doug Carlson for putting this Conference together & especially the choice of the ML King anniversary date.

I consider it an honor and a privilege to have the opportunity this morning to participate in this public

discussion of facts and opinions some strongly held - about circumstances attendant to the death of John Fitzgerald Kennedy.

I agreed to organize this panel in order to promote the open confrontation, discussion & debate regarding this assassination in the hope that this kind of airing will help us as a country to move closer to a national consensus of voluntary understanding of what actually happened those awful days in November, 1963.

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Your program guide gives details about & some of the backgrounds and credentials of the panelists. I shall not waste your time repeating that information.

My three fellow panelists ~~have had~~ are having their expenses paid to attend this presentation.

They are not receiving a fee or an honorarium. We have no profit motive. I live in Chicago so - I am receiving

neither fee, honorarium nor expense reimbursement.

In the <sup>book</sup> ~~antepen~~, I have provided <sup>(free of charge)</sup> a modest number of copies of the May 27, 1992 JAMA that contains the Dennis Brea interviews with many principals and substantial numbers of my JAMA editorial from Oct 7, 1992 and last week's JAMA that contains 2 more articles and one editorial on the subject.



I think it is safe to say that no one in this room was with Lee Harvey Oswald in the Texas School Depository that November day; that no one here was in the President's limousine in Dallas, <sup>and</sup> was at the President's head in the Parkland emergency room administrator's primary surgical care, was in Air Force one on its way to Maryland or was a pathologist in the Naval Hospital at Bethesda responsible for the President's autopsy. If such persons are here, please be recognized.



What do we know, what do we believe and what & whom do we trust about the JFK assassination?

I believe it's safe to say that no one in this room stood next to the Dallas gunman who killed the President and observed it all. It's safe to say that no one in this room was in charge in this the autopsy room in Bethesda that day in 1963.

So, we are all dependent on sources of information other than personal, real time observations.

And what are these sources?

1. Verbal statements from the people who were actually there - on the scene - those days
2. Written statements - past & present - from those same people - the primary source participants

3. Bona fide physical evidence & its interpretation

4. Relevant experimental evidence

5. Her own knowledge about anatomy, medicine,

surgery, pathology, forensic pathology,

wound ballistics and what is scientific

and what ~~is~~ <sup>not</sup> ~~is~~ scientific

I wasn't in Dallas or Bethesda these days, I'm really not much of an expert in this thing at all, my role in this ~~whole thing~~ is that of a journalist along with

Mr Dennis brother of our JAM staff. I have essentially no prior source ~~or~~ information nor do I plan any, Whom do I trust?  
~~them~~

I have known Dr James Hume - the principal autopsy

pathologist - since 1957, to paraphrase Ronald Reagan - paraphrasing Lloyd Bentzen - I know Jim Hume -

He is a friend of mine - I would trust him with my life, an outstanding general pathologist here after 1963 - acclaimed by his peers - but never a fully trained forensic pathologist. Moving from 1963 to 1968 - the

US Attorney General appointed a 4 person Blue Ribbon Panel to study & re-evaluate the JFK autopsy. This study was requested by Dr J. Boswell - the 2nd autopsy pathologist. 4 members - unanimous support for the autopsy results

and interpretation. A key member was <sup>the late</sup> Dr Russell

Fisher - Chief Medical Examiner for the State of

Maryland - probably the World's top forensic

pathologist of his time. I knew Russell

Fisher. He was a friend of mine, I would trust him with my life. He concurred, two bullets - front to rear  
1979 - the Forensic Pathology subcommittee of the House Select Committee on Assassinations included 9 members. It voted 8 to 1 in support of the autopsy findings & basic interpretation. One of the members was Dr Earl Rose, the Forensic pathologist in Dallas in November 1963 whose legal responsibility it was to autopsy President Kennedy & who tried to stop the illegal movement of the body from Dallas. I have known Earl Rose since 1973 - He is a friend of mine, I would trust him with my life. He concurred - 2 bullets - front to rear,



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Another member of that 1979 Subcommittee was Dr Charles Petty. Dr Petty is Professor of Pathology at the U of Texas Southwestern Medical School in Dallas TX. He heads up the Forensic Science Institute there which was <sup>in large part</sup> built because of the Dallas embarrassment over the assassination and their recognition of the need for outstanding forensic science. Dr Petty has been guest on this JFK issue for many years. This year he volunteered to write for JAMT on this subject. Last week's JAMT has his editorial which confirms and explains the single bullet theory. Charles Petty is arguably the top forensic pathologist in the world today. I have known

Chuck Petty since 1968. He is a friend of mine,  
I would trust him with my life.

These are <sup>the</sup> keys <sup>of trust</sup> Jim Hume in 1963,  
Russell Fisher in 1968. ~~Earl~~ Earl Rose in  
1979 and again in J&M in 1992, Chuck

Petty in 1979 and again in J&M in 1993.  
And then there is me.

to imagine ~~or~~ state that somehow these  
people <sup>we</sup> have been duped, or misled, or are  
somehow part of a conspiracy to deny the truth on this

issue. Small ages ~~in~~ ~~somebody~~ ~~back~~ strains the  
vocabulary to find strong enough words to  
describe such <sup>absurdity</sup> ~~absurdities~~. Such charges  
are somewhere among <sup>the descriptors</sup> - wild & crazy, off the wall,  
out in left field, incredible <sup>insulting</sup>, or worse.

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THE FINDINGS OF THESE INTERVIEWS WITH THESE RESPECTED PHYSICIANS MOST INVOLVED IN THE EMERGENCY CARE OF THE PRESIDENT IN DALLAS, AND THE POSTMORTEM EXAMINATION IN BETHESDA, MARYLAND ARE CAREFULLY DOCUMENTED IN 21 PAGES OF JOURNALISM IN THE MAY 27, AND OCTOBER 7, 1992 ISSUES OF JAMA.

THESE SPECIAL 16,000 WORD REPORTS WERE WRITTEN BY MR. BREO. THE PHYSICIANS AGREED TO SPEAK WITH JAMA BECAUSE IT IS A RESPECTED MEDICAL PUBLICATION.

MOST HAD DECLINED INTERVIEWS FOR FROM 25 TO 28 YEARS.

DRS. HUMES AND BOSWELL SPECIFIED THAT THEY WANTED THE REPORT TO BE IN THE WORLDWIDE MEDICAL LITERATURE, WHICH OF COURSE JAMA IS.

THEY, AND DR. FINCK, STATED THAT THESE JAMA ARTICLES ARE THEIR STORY AND THAT THEY DID NOT PLAN TO GIVE FURTHER INTERVIEWS.

I STATED IN MAY 1992 AT THE PRESS CONFERENCE IN NEW YORK, THAT BASED UPON SOLID, UNEQUIVOCAL FORENSIC EVIDENCE AS REPORTED IN THE MAY 27 JAMA, I CAN STATE WITHOUT CONCERN OR QUESTION MY AGREEMENT WITH DRS. HUMES AND BOSWELL THAT PRESIDENT KENNEDY WAS STRUCK AND KILLED BY TWO, AND ONLY TWO, BULLETS FIRED FROM ONE RIFLE.

THE FIRST BULLET ENTERED THE BACK NEAR THE NECK AND EXITED THE FRONT OF THE THROAT.

THE ABRASION COLLAR AND BRUISING OF THE SKIN SURROUNDING THIS WOUND IS DIAGNOSTIC OF A WOUND OF ENTRANCE.

THE SECOND BULLET ENTERED THE BACK OF THE HEAD AND EXPLODED THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE HEAD, DESTROYING THE BRAIN WITH A SURELY LETHAL WOUND.

THE INWARD BEVELING OF THE BONE AT THE BACK OF THE SKULL AND OUTWARD BEVELING AT THE FRONT IS DIAGNOSTIC OF THE DIRECTION OF THE BULLET'S PATH.

THUS, BOTH BULLETS STRUCK FROM BEHIND.

NO OTHER BULLETS STRUCK THE PRESIDENT.

A SINGLE ASSASSIN WITH A SINGLE RIFLE FIRED BOTH BULLETS.

THE EYEWITNESS ACCOUNTS AND THE SCIENTIFIC FORENSIC EVIDENCE ARE INDISPUTABLE.

HERE ARE FURTHER SPECIFIC POINTS.

THE BODY WAS ILLEGALLY MOVED AFTER DEATH FROM DALLAS TO BETHESDA OVER THE STRONG PROTESTS OF DR EARL ROSE, THE RESPONSIBLE DALLAS PATHOLOGIST AND MEDICAL EXAMINER.

MURDER IS A STATE CRIME.

THE PATHOLOGISTS IN BETHESDA WERE, AS MILITARY PHYSICIANS, PROFESSIONALLY IN CHARGE OF THE AUTOPSY AND MADE THEIR FINDINGS INDEPENDENT OF GOVERNMENT INTERFERENCE AND IN GOOD FAITH AS MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS.

THE BODY WAS RECEIVED IN BETHESDA IN A BRONZE CASKET, NOT IN A BODY BAG.

THE BRAIN WAS IN THE HEAD AT THE TIME THE SCALP WAS REFLECTED AND THE CALVARIUM ENTERED.

THERE IS NO CREDIBLE EVIDENCE THAT ANYONE ALTERED THE STATE OF THE BODY BETWEEN THE DALLAS TRAUMA ROOM AND THE AUTOPSY.



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SPECIFICALLY, THE TRACHEOSTOMY SITE WAS AT AUTOPSY, AS IT WAS AT DEATH.

THERE WAS NO CONSPIRACY AS REGARDS THE AUTOPSY, ITS FINDINGS OR ITS REPORT.

THE AUTOPSY FINDINGS CANNOT STATE WHICH ONE PERSON FIRED THE RIFLE; WHETHER THERE WERE OTHER SHOTS THAT MISSED; OR WHETHER LEE HARVEY OSWALD WORKED WITH THE NEW ORLEANS MOB OR THE CIA.

THE MOVIE, "JFK", IS PRIMARILY SKILLFUL FILM FICTION BUT IS A GRAVE INSULT TO THE MILITARY PHYSICIANS INVOLVED, AS WELL AS PATHOLOGISTS IN GENERAL, NAVY MEDICINE, AND A WHOLE LOT OF OTHER INNOCENT PEOPLE.

IN MY OPINION, THE BEST EXPLANATIONS FOR THE MOTIVATIONS OF THE MYRIAD CONSPIRACY THEORISTS ARE HIGH LEVELS OF NATURAL SUSPICION, DESIRE FOR PERSONAL RECOGNITION AND PUBLIC VISIBILITY, AND PROFIT, SINCE THIS HAS BECOME A BIG INDUSTRY.

WE ADD OUR VOICES TO THOSE WHO PETITION THE GOVERNMENT TO OPEN THE ARCHIVES TO SERIOUS STUDY AND TO WORK WITH THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF HEALTH AND MEDICINE AT THE ARMED FORCES INSTITUTE OF PATHOLOGY IN WASHINGTON TO PLACE THE RELEVANT KENNEDY MATERIALS ON PERMANENT DISPLAY NEAR THOSE OF PRESIDENT LINCOLN FOR FULL VIEWING BY ANY AND EVERYONE.

WE HOPE THAT THE 1992 AND 1993 PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS ABOUT THIS WILL HELP TO CALM THE ARDOR OF THE HONESTY

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CONSPIRACY THEORISTS WHO HAVE SIMPLY NOT HAD ACCESS TO  
THE SCIENTIFIC FACTS.

WE FURTHER HOPE THAT AN ENTIRE GENERATION THAT HAS BEEN FED  
DOCUFICTION ON THIS MATTER, AS IF IT WERE TRUTH, WILL NO  
LONGER BE MISLEAD.

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Just with & after that Press Conference  
in New York on May 19, 1992 ~~all~~ came  
a Worldwide media hullabaloo, huge shouts  
of acclaim from many, showers of anger and  
pain from many others and a plethora  
of media appearances, newspaper & magazine  
columns, letters to the editor, telephone  
calls and even death threats.

The doctors we interviewed hung tight to  
their pledge to give no further interviews despite  
massive media pressure.

On Oct 7, 1992 ~~we~~ the JAMA attempted to  
close the ~~book~~ Case - with another interview, letters  
response to letters & an editorial - (handled out).



Did we close it out? No. But the protests following the Oct 7 publication were only 10% what they were in May. We clearly are winning this thing, & that brings us to last weeks JFM

In late March, <sup>1993</sup> JFM will publish a <sup>today's program</sup> new original research article, an analytical critique of <sup>of Galtman</sup> the letters we published in October and a new <sup>Dr West</sup> <sup>Dr Mrozzi</sup> edition by one of the World's top Forensic Pathologists who has <sup>but who knows a lot about it</sup> never written on this before. In addition, I have agreed to chair a panel at an Assassination Convention in Chicago on April 3, 1993 to encourage an open academic debate on these issues.

One of the panelists will be the Director of the National Museum of Health & Medicine in Wash DC, himself a Forensic Pathologist, who hopes to begin to achieve a <sup>national</sup> consensus on the JFK assassination.