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Dear Dr. Korenchevsky,

I certainly had no intention to add to the difficulties which are already so considerable for you. I had not indeed remembered that you had given up that part of the experiment which depends on the use of hormones. If these are not to be used, the point of my suggestion of four groups disappears. If however they are used, and the corresponding tests made, it is clearly a matter of indifference so far as work is concerned whether all the patients receiving hormones also receive vitamins, and none of those not receiving hormones receive vitamins, or whether, of each group, half receive vitamins and half do not. It was this latter modification, which does not affect in any respect the number or the kinds of treatment, or again the number or the kinds of administrations, that I had thought desirable when the original scheme was planned. Indeed I cannot see what difficulties you or any member of the Committee could find in such a modification, and the experimental advantages of subdivisions of this kind are already widely recognised in nearly all fields of experimental work.

Yours sincerely,