
18th February, 1957.

My dear Verschuer,

Many thanks for your note. I hope I may assume that you find the fee offered satisfactory.

I do not believe a hundred cases will be enough, for the standard error of all possible comparisons will be very large with numbers so small. I was, however, afraid that from one cause or another they would be greatly depleted, and perhaps it is worth considering that so far as indicating innate proclivity is concerned, women, even if only a minority of them smoke, are as relevant as men, provided, and provided only, they will not conceal this habit as being vicious ^{or} unladylike! Anyway, I hope you will see what can be done.

Sincerely yours,