

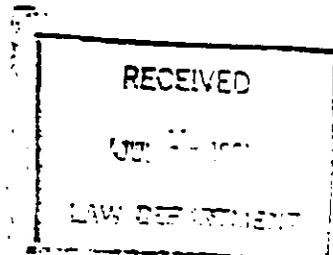
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Memorandum for Messrs. Ahrensfeld
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Re: Alvan R. Feinstein

Gentlemen:

Dr. Alvan R. Feinstein is Program Director and Professor of Medicine and Epidemiology at the Yale University School of Medicine. He has for many years consulted with the industry on various matters, including some of the industry-funded research projects.

Dr. Feinstein has long thought that one reason for the reported association between cigarette smoking and lung cancer, as well as the apparent rise in the incidence of lung cancer, is "detection bias." It is Dr. Feinstein's view that cigarette smoking may contribute more to the diagnosis of lung cancer than it does to the disease itself because smokers are given more rigorous physical examination and, therefore, a greater number of lung cancers are diagnosed in smokers than in non-smokers. In the early 1970's Dr. Feinstein did a research project to test his theory. He concluded that detection of lung cancer during life is greater in smokers and that the more a patient smoked the greater the likelihood that a particular diagnostic technique would be used.

Dr. Feinstein is interested in further exploring "detection bias," and is submitting an application to CTR seeking funds to do additional research in this area. Any funding for this, however, will not be available until January, 1982. Accordingly, Dr. Feinstein is seeking interim funding in the amount of \$17,284, so that this work can proceed during 1981.

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I have discussed this matter with Pat Sirridge and Bill Gardner and they believe that we should support Dr. Feinstein while his research proposal is being evaluated by CTR. Accordingly, I recommend that we make this \$17,284 available to him.

Sincerely,

Jim

Timothy M. Finnegan

cc: Miss Janet C. Brown
Patrick M. Sirridge, Esq.

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