

MEMORANDUM

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To: Dr. Edward A. Gall

From: Edward P. Radford, M.D.

Subject: Application of Dr. Ben I. Friedman and Dr. Eugene L. Saenger

The present proposal has been modified to emphasize, at least initially, the potential therapeutic value of the irradiation. I am somewhat concerned, nevertheless, that (page 5) "If it becomes obvious that the results are statistically significant, the study will be terminated." Significant of what -- increased survival, or just a better hematologic picture? In the previous work cited, there is no mention of the possibility that this dose of whole body irradiation is at all palliative for metastatic cancer. Are no animal experiments available, and if not, why not? The previous work done on Group 1 patients is meaningless with regard to therapy and I think they prejudice their case by even mentioning them. The consent form and procedure for its use is good.

Recommendation: Approval, but with the proviso that a further statement concerning the possible therapeutic aims be made, specifically with regard to previous work done with whole body irradiation.

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