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Dear Doctor Lederberg: Re: 'Right to Breed' and right to be
treated for 'Hormonal Imbalance.'

With reference to your article concerning 'Right to Breed':

Would it be possible to SEPARATE (1) the right to BREED and (2) the effects of EXCESSIVE SEX DRIVE? (hormonal imbalance).

Voluntary common sense prompts man to turn to his physician for relief from the symptoms of typhoid, malaria, and so many of the hormone irregularities (of thyroid, pancreas etc).

Would it be possible, practical, to encourage the greatest of our medical research centers to study the causes and effects of the normal and the abnormal SEX DRIVE? Today science does not give much attention to this sex drive (symptoms, diagnosis, therapy or prognosis).

'In my book' there should be SEPARATION of the two effects of sex-hormone imbalance: (1) the right to have relief from sex-hormone imbalance in the male body, and (2) the 'RIGHT TO BREED'.

'In my book' the male driven by sex-hormone imbalance is a sick man. I ask: Why should he not be entitled to physical or hormonal treatment which would relieve his sex-hormone imbalance? Most persons do not want even to DISCUSS it!

Would it be possible to encourage the greatest of our medical research centers to study the physical, physiological and emotional backgrounds of both the Normal and the Abnormal SEX DRIVE (Hormone irregularity)? I repeat my question in closing!

Can you refer me to any substantial work being done along this line. Everything connected with 'Birth Control' now deals with the female? I infer you consider that the quality of life and freedom would be enhanced if he had it within his power to LIMIT HIS RIGHT TO BREED while at the same time achieving SEX HORMONE BALANCE.

Sincerely,