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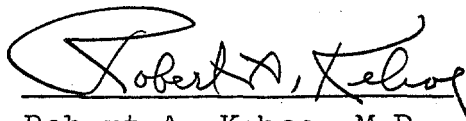
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One of the primary functions of a research organization is the dissemination of information for the good of all concerned. The right to publish the results of investigations is guarded jealously in the agreements of the Laboratory with the Sponsors of its work, and the effort should be made, by all principal investigators to prepare articles for publication in such form and numbers as to fulfill this responsibility to our professional colleagues. All of us have been somewhat negligent in this matter, the result being that there is a large backlog of unpublished and generally useful information in the reports of the Laboratory to its Sponsors.



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