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Dear Turan,

Köknel's observations of a definite relationship between marijuana use and hard drug use should be reported, if the data is indeed good. To my knowledge, there is no satisfactory of any causal relation between the use of these drugs; they are often combined by propinquity. The issue of causal relationship has been reviewed by the Commission on Marijuana in its recent report (1972) and by the two reports of the Surgeon General to the Congress on marijuana use-- 1971 and 1972.

As you can imagine, defining a causal relationship is most difficult, and I doubt that Köknel's data is much better than that presented before. Should you be convinced of its merit, it is eminently publishable. Perhaps, you would write to Leo Hollister who is organizing a marijuana session at the CINP and he may give Köknel some time.

Don came back from his visit all enthused with the fine data you are getting in Copenhagen and in St. Louis. Keep up the good work !

My best regards to Ellen.

Max