

**THE EARLY DIAGNOSIS OF PREGNANCY BY METHODS OF  
PRECISION: FURTHER OBSERVATIONS ON SUGAR  
TOLERANCE TESTS. FINAL REPORT.**

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IN our preliminary report,<sup>1</sup> the literature was reviewed, different techniques were cited and finally, a series of 39 cases was presented using our own modification of the technique of Frank and Nothmann with a 95 per cent accuracy in the diagnosis of early pregnancy. Since that time the use of laboratory procedures for the early diagnosis of pregnancy has increased so enormously, that now we feel a survey of these methods, their possibilities and shortcomings, to be warranted. It must be remembered throughout this discussion that no laboratory method has yet been devised which is absolutely and infallibly diagnostic of the presence or absence of pregnancy (except Roentgen ray in the late months), and therefore the indication for the use of these tests is to strengthen the already present suspicion of pregnancy, or the probability of its absence. The