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May 14, 1957

Professor Leo Szilard Department of Biophysics University of Chicago Chicago 37, Illinois

Dear Professor Szilard:

I have a letter from an old friend, Professor D. Ackermann of Würzburg, asking for information concerning the possibility of finding a small amount of paraxanthin, sufficient for paper chromatography. Ackermann says that he cannot find it anywhere in Germany.

I note that you have used it in some of your work on mutation of <u>coli</u> organisms. If you could let me know where it could be obtained for Ackermann, I would be grateful, as also certainly would Ackermann.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely, mala d. Inn Slyte

Donald D. Van Slyke

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May 21, 1957

Dr. Donald D. Van Slyke Brookhaven National Laboratory Upton, Long Island, New York

Dear Dr. Van Slyke:

The paraxanthin which we used was obtained by Dr. Aaron Novick, who is at present out of town. I am transmitting your letter to him, and I am certain he will be able to give you the required information upon his return.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Leo Szilard

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May 22, 1957

Dr. Donald D. Van Slyke Brockhaven National Laboratory Upton, Long Island, New York

Dear Dr. Van Slyke:

Dr. Aaron Novick has now returned to Chicago and tells me that the paraxanthin about which you inquired was obtained from Dr. George Hitchings at Burroughs-Wellcome.

Sincerely yours,

Leo Szilard

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