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Dear Doctor Sabin:

We have been encountering a disease of the air sacs and lungs of poultry called chronic respiratory disease for the past three or four years. Delaplane reported that the disease was caused by filterable virus and that the same agent caused infectious sinusitis of turkeys. Both the chronic respiratory disease and infectious sinusitis have become an increasingly serious problem.

Doctor Floyd Markham of Lederle Laboratories informed me that he has isolated a pleuropneumonia organism and considers it to be the cause of chronic respiratory disease. I have been reviewing the literature with the hope of making a complete pathological study of these chicken and turkey diseases. While doing so I encountered your very profound and complete paper in the 1941 Bacteriological Reviews entitled "The Filtrable Microorganisms of the Pleuropneumonia Group." If you have an extra reprint of this paper or other papers on the subject, I would very much appreciate your sending me a copy.

Work on toxoplasmosis has been going very well.

Thank you for this consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Clarence R. Cole, D.V.M.