Dear Doctor Sabin:

I have been somewhat delinquent in writing you concerning the proposed meeting of individuals interested in toxoplasmosis to discuss various phases of mutual interest. My failure to communicate with you previously has been mainly due to the fact that I have been absent from the Laboratory on two different field trips.

The matter has been discussed with Dr. Haas, Dr. Jacobs, and Dr. Eyles. All of these individuals feel that it would be worthwhile to get together a group of individuals interested in toxoplasmosis. The question has arisen as to whether the discussion should be confined to diagnostic tests or whether perhaps it should be expanded to include transmission, epidemiology, and chemotherapy. We should be glad to have your view concerning this point.

I have asked Dr. Jacobs to note down a list of items which he thinks might be worthy of consideration in the proposed discussion. These are as follows:

**Dye test** - Course of antibody rise in clinical cases. Significance of low positive titers. Correlation of dye test and ocular findings. Variations in technique. Cross-checking of results in different labs. Standardization of AC factor. Interpretation of results for clinician.

**Complement fixation test** - Correlation with dye test. Value in diagnosis. Evaluation of commercial antigen.

**Therapy** - Experiences with sulfa. Possible use of antisera.

It is suggested that the following persons be invited to be present for a discussion of diagnostic tests: Sabin, Feldman, Eyles, Frenkel, Jacobs, Bozicevich, Meitner, Warren, Eklund, Adams, F. H., Ruchman.

If chemotherapy is to be considered, we might add Summers, Gingrich, Eichenwald, and Weinman.

If other aspects are to be taken up, Manwell, Cross, Anigstein, Wolf, and Cowen might be included in the discussion group.
Would you kindly also indicate your views concerning the most appropriate time and place for holding this meeting?

Before any arrangements are effected, some decision will have to be made by the Division of Research Grants and Fellowships concerning available funds for underwriting the expenses of the conference. I understand that that Division is facing some reduction in appropriations for the new fiscal year beginning July 1 in which event there may be some question concerning the ability of the Division to finance the group meeting. This matter will be discussed with Mr. Allen, and in the meantime we should be glad to hear from you with regard to the above-mentioned points.

Sincerely,

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