

April 7, 1958

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Dr. Lise Quersin-Thiry  
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Dear Dr. Quersin-Thiry:

Your letter of 11 March came at a time when I was away from the laboratory a great deal and regret the delay in replying to it. Under separate cover, I am sending you a specimen of lyophilized St. Louis encephalitis virus. I hope that it is still active.

I cannot tell you what this particular strain does in tissue culture but tests on Japanese B virus as well as SLE virus have shown that the virus multiplies in monkey kidney tissue culture and in HeLa cells without producing a cytopathogenic effect. However, during the past year several people have had success with hamster kidney tissue cultures in which these viruses have produced cytopathogenic effect. Enclosed herewith <sup>are 2</sup> ~~is a~~ reprint describing studies carried out in this laboratory on the behavior of the St. Louis encephalitis virus that I had sent you previously.

With best wishes and kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

Albert B. Sabin, M. D.

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Enclosure.

Sent 1 amp of SLE of 6/4/43 - Web. No. 3  
1 amp of SLE Parton of 2-2-52 for  
hemagglutinin.