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Albert B. Sabin, M.D.
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Cincinnati, Ohio

Dear Dr. Sabin:

This is a note to tell you of my activities and to ask you to write to Dr. John Adams, the Professor of Pediatrics at The University of California at Los Angeles, on my behalf.

On a one thousand dollar grant from Mead Johnson, under University of Southern California, and Children's Hospital auspices, we investigated two mild outbreaks of newborn diarrhea occurring in Los Angeles during the past year. The morbidity was high in both of these, but the diarrhea very mild and there were no deaths. Only premature babies needed so much as an injection of parenteral fluid. We were not able to produce any observable illness in calves, rabbits, or ferrets. The study is not yet completed. The application to the N I H for funds was not successful. I understand that Horace Hodes is making progress with diarrhea studies, and that he has ample funds from the Evaporated Milk Association, so perhaps it would be best to leave that field exclusively to him and to turn to something else.

Up to now my energies have of necessity had to be concentrated on the practice and on salaried part-time activities of a clinical nature. I should think that by fall the practice should be well enough established so that the part time activities could be given up and attention turned to research. You may recall your letter of last July and your kindness in recommending me to Dr. Adams. I have not heard from him, although I know that he had been asking earnest inquiries about me. I have the strong suspicion that this is because Dr. Charles Carpenter, the Professor of Infectious Diseases, to whom I spoke two years ago, does not like me for reasons which do no credit to him. Since you mentioned in your letter that you would be willing to write to Dr. Adams again on my behalf, would you be kind enough to do so now.

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If there is no opportunity for me there, I plan to try
at The Cedars of Lebanon.

Warmest personal regards. I shall be looking
forward to seeing you when you make your next trip
out this way, and hope you will have some time to spend
with us.

Sincerely yours,

Jack Light

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