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As part of our research program for the coming fiscal year (July 1953-July 1954) we are planning to conduct a study of the mental and other pharmacological effects produced by the chronic administration of the diethyl-amide of lysergic acid. We would appreciate any information you have concern-ing this compound, as well as any advice and suggestions concerning the proposed work. We are particularly interested in finding where we might obtain a reasonably large quantity of the drug.

We also hope to investigate the acute and chronic effects of a number of derivatives of N-allylnormorphine in man. We are particularly interested in the levo isomer of 3-hydroxy-n-allylmorphinan and the 3-methyl ether of N-allylmorphinan. Another compound which may be of interest to us is N-propyldihydromorphine.

Finally, we hope to investigate the effects of diet and of constituents of food on blood alcohol disappearance curves. I would appreciate your advice concerning the best methods of determining blood alcohol.

Very sincerely yours,

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