

*Salmon*

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Dear Ernst:

You will certainly be getting the reprints you requested; I do not see how I have overlooked putting your name on our regular list.

I was pleased to have your tentative reaction to the Syntex proposal, fully realizing your concurrent interest in other possibilities. Meanwhile, there have been some changes in the details of Syntex's policy, mainly advantageous to the research prospects, though they may ~~involve~~ involve setting up initially in Los Angeles rather than here. I am anxious myself to accelerate the shift to Palo Alto as soon as possible; by the time Dr. Zaffarroni can see you, these matters should be firmly settled, and if he can convey a definite offer you will be able to know exactly what the setup will be. There is also some question now whether there will be (to start) a named director, or whether the administration will be broken into the operating groups (probably 4, 2 in organic chemistry, 1 DNA biochemistry, 1 immunology). But these are all matters which are not necessarily of the first importance and, in any case, should be the subject of further discussion. In any event, I will be deeply and personally concerned with the development of the research program which, obviously, would have many parallels in my own interests.

As to your remarks on tolerance, I would like to discuss them with Nossal before making a detailed reply. I have the impression that Cinader obtained diametrically opposite results, but I may be overlooking some details. Your second experiment seems to contradict the first one, unless there is some additional basis to 'horror autotoxicus' than early exposure to self antigens.

~~XXXXXXXX~~ Dr. Zaffarroni should then be getting in touch with you in good time.

Yours sincerely,

  
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