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Dear Dr. Bell:

I am sending you herewith several articles which have been published by our laboratory in recent years on lead studies. There are a number of other articles in various stages of preparation, a number of which are very much more important than these. I will be glad to send them to you when they are complete. We have recently been studying the distribution of tetraethyl lead and some of the colloidal lead compounds, and at the same time have been studying the excretion where these various compounds are used. These studies, I believe, will be of considerable importance.

I am inclined to suspect that some of the lipoid soluble lead compounds might be very advantageously used in cancer therapy provided their use can be properly controlled. With this idea in mind I have been studying the regular absorption through the skin, the rate at which they are broken down in the tissues into water soluble compounds, and the rate at which they are excreted. I hope to be able to publish material along this line within the next six months.

I have read most of the papers that have appeared from your laboratories, but I would appreciate it very much indeed if you would send me such reprints of your work as are available.

Very truly yours,

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