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Steve Smith

Ford

Dear Steve,

The main problem with the list of items at Ford's libraries is that they don't say what years of these journals they have, and I see no reason why they can't provide that information.

The list of library items from Ford that you faxed me starts with one I do not recognize (Industrial Health). Ind. Med. Surg. included the Cook article referenced at the end of chapter 4 in my book, on the invisibility of 5 MPPCF of asbestos-containing dust and the consequent need for air monitoring; and a 1951 article by Hueper on carcinogens including asbestos. JAMA had editorials on asbestos and cancer in 1944 and 1949; Selikoff's opus in 1964; and Borow's article on mesothelioma at Manville in 1967. Archives of Environmental Health had Lieben's paper in 1967 on neighborhood and plant cases of mesothelioma (the "preacher" article). BJIM had Doll's article on cancer at T & N in 1955. Annals of Occupational Hygiene had the Ford brake hazards conference in England, in 1970, extensively annotated in chapter 8 of my book.

I don't know of anything offhand in AIHA Journal, listed next, but the predecessor AIHA Quarterly had the conference on TLVs noted in the 4th chapter of my book in 1956. Again we need to know the years they have of these publications.

"Industrial Hygiene and Toxicology" looks very much like J. Ind. Hyg. Tox., the journal O-I has from 1928 until it ended in 1949, which was the best source of articles and abstracts in this country. Harry and Shep already have the collection of 100+ articles and abstracts in this. That investigation has already been done.

What remains is to see fully what appeared on asbestos, for the years they have of: JOM, Arch. Env. Health, Ann. Occ. Hyg., Brit. J. Ind. Med., Ind. Med. Surg., and AIHA Journal/Quarterly.

In addition, they make no mention of textbooks in their libraries. O-I, by way of an example, has some important texts on industrial medicine and hygiene.

They also neglected to mention the Industrial Hygiene Digest, which they received as a member of IHF from 1947-1974, according to IHF. This was another enormous source of information on asbestos hazards, like JIHT.

I would be happy to arrange to direct the remaining library research, once we have further information on the specific contents of Ford's excellent library.

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Ford states that libraries are maintained in the following functional areas in Dearborn, Michigan: medical, industrial hygiene, toxicology, and health surveillance. Among the items in these libraries there surely are journals, books, and other publications with references to asbestos. There is no specific depository solely dedicated to the topic of asbestos.

The following journals, among others, were subscribed to at some time during the period from 1928 to the present by the medical and health interests:

? Industrial Health

Industrial Medicine & Surgery *Cook, 1942*

Journal of Occupational Medicine

Journal of American Medical Association *1944, 1949 eds | Boraw 195196*

Archives of Environmental Health *1967 Lieber ~~Boraw~~*

British Journal of Industrial Medicine *1955 Doll*

Annals of Occupational Hygiene

Journal of American Industrial Hygiene Association

The following journals, among others, were subscribed to at some time by industrial hygiene interests:

Archives of Environmental Health

American Industrial Hygiene Journal

Industrial Hygiene and Toxicology *

British Journal of Industrial Medicine

The Annals of Occupational Hygiene *1970 brake conf. (p453)*

Some health information relative to asbestos is maintained at the Industrial Hygiene and Employee Health Department.

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IH Digest?*