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Professor W. H. Young
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Dear Bill:

Dean Pound asked me yesterday to report to you regarding the Nichols patent and the Berger application. I have not been able to reach you by telephone yesterday or today.

There now is no problem regarding the Nichols patent. Marv Woerpel and Howard Bremer have found supplementary information which shows that we misunderstood the language of the USDA cooperative agreement regarding patents. It is now clear that the restrictions apply only to USDA employees, none of whom are involved. If you need more detailed information Marv or I could supply it.

The Berger research was financed in part by funds from the American Cancer Society Institutional Research Grant handled by a committee with Dr. Harold P. Rusch as chairman. We received notice of this allocation but have no information on the patent restrictions, if any, involved in such an institutional grant. I suggest that you review the grant documents with either Dr. Rusch or Dean Alberty.

We are able to state that no patent restrictions apply to other funds used by Professor Berger for the polonium research.

If we can be of further help, feel free to call me any time.

Sincerely yours,

R. J. Muckenhirn
Associate Director

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cc: G. S. Pound
M. D. Woerpel