

June 8th, 1956

Dr. Lloyd V. Berkner, President
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Brookhaven National Laboratories
Upton, L. I., New York

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Dear Dr. Berkner:

The Visiting Committee for the Medical Department met at the Brookhaven National Laboratory on May 28th and 29th, 1956. The members present were Horsfall, Loeb, Morgan and Wearn. The program for the two days, prepared by Dr. Farr, is enclosed.

Dr. Haworth and Dr. Farr described the plans for the new medical center, medical reactor, investigative program, professional staff, visiting investigators, and students. The Committee was impressed by and pleased with the careful consideration that has been given to all aspects of the plans and is gratified by the high quality of the results.

The Committee reviewed the recommendations made in the committee's reports for 1955. It was agreed that the earlier recommendations had received thoughtful consideration and had been acted upon effectively. It is gratifying to report that the Committee did not find any obvious need for new recommendations.

Because certain members of the Committee have served for three years, it was possible to review the progress made during that period. The development has been impressive; areas of weakness have been strengthened or eliminated; the caliber of the professional personnel, especially the senior staff, has become excellent; the investigative program has progressed toward fundamental studies of wide variety. Both in breadth of coverage and in depth of penetration the research program has shown striking improvement.

The Committee commends the degree of integration which has been attained within the Medical Department and is favorably impressed by the lack of divisional separation. A university atmosphere, providing the climate needed for intellectual and investigative freedom, has been developed. It is anticipated that a period of large and effective production will follow.

The Committee is most grateful to Dr. Haworth and Dr. Farr for the thoughtful arrangements and many courtesies which were provided.

Yours sincerely,

/s/Robert F. Loeb

Russell H. Morgan

Joseph T. Wearn

Frank L. Horsfall, Jr.,
Chairman

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Program for Medical Department Visiting Committee
May 28, 29, 1956

May 28 8:30 a.m. Depart from Vanderbilt Hotel
10:30 a.m. Arrive Brookhaven - settle in rooms assigned.

11:00 - 12:30 The Medical Program
L. J. Haworth
Lee E. Farr

12:30 - 1:45 Lunch

1:45 - 2:15 Physiological Studies with Manganese⁵⁶.
G. C. Cotzias

2:15 - 2:45 Pathogenesis of Radiation Induced Mammary
Tumors in the Rat.
E. P. Cronkite

2:45 - 3:15 Introduction of Short Range Radiation
within a Cell.
W. L. Hughes

3:15 - 3:30 Coffee Break

3:30 - 4:00 Effects of Radiation in Acetylcholinesterase.
I. Serlin

4:00 - 4:30 Tissue Equivalent Ionization Chambers.
R. I. Weller

4:30 - 4:45 Studies on Serum Proteins in Neoplastic
Disease. S. W. Lippincott

4:45 - 5:00 Effects of Beta Radiation on Skin.
R. A. Conard

5:00 - 6:00 Free Period

6:00 - Cocktails and Dinner

May 29 8:30 - 9:00 The Role of Carbohydrate and Mineral
Metabolism in the Action of Drugs
Altering the Cerebral Excitatory State.
P. G. LeFevre

9:00 - 9:30 Studies in Alpha-1 Glycoprotein
E. A. Popenco

9:30 - 10:00 In vivo and In vitro Incorporation of C¹⁴-
labelled Amino Acids by Trichinella spiralis
Larvae.
R. D. Stoner

10:00 - 10:15 Coffee Break

10:15 - 12:15 Visiting Laboratories - no special lunch program.

1:15 - 3:15 Executive Session for preparation of report.

3:30 - Depart for New York

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