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December 30, 1992

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Dear Andrew:

We so enjoyed chatting with you earlier this month, and I have studied the two booklets very carefully.

The chemistry and physics are very exciting, but I must tell you that I was quite unimpressed by the man, Chris Smart, the CEO of Cambridge Display Technology.

The key to your success will lie in getting a really first class man to head your operation.

I realize you have a chicken and egg situation. Until you raise the first million pounds you cannot get a first class man, but I don't see this as a good investment with Mr. Smart in charge.

Please do not mind my writing so bluntly, but I consider you one of my very good friends, and I want to share my thinking with you.

All good wishes for 1993 from Isabel and me.

Sincerely,



Chris Smart

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April 8, 1993

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Dear Ralph,

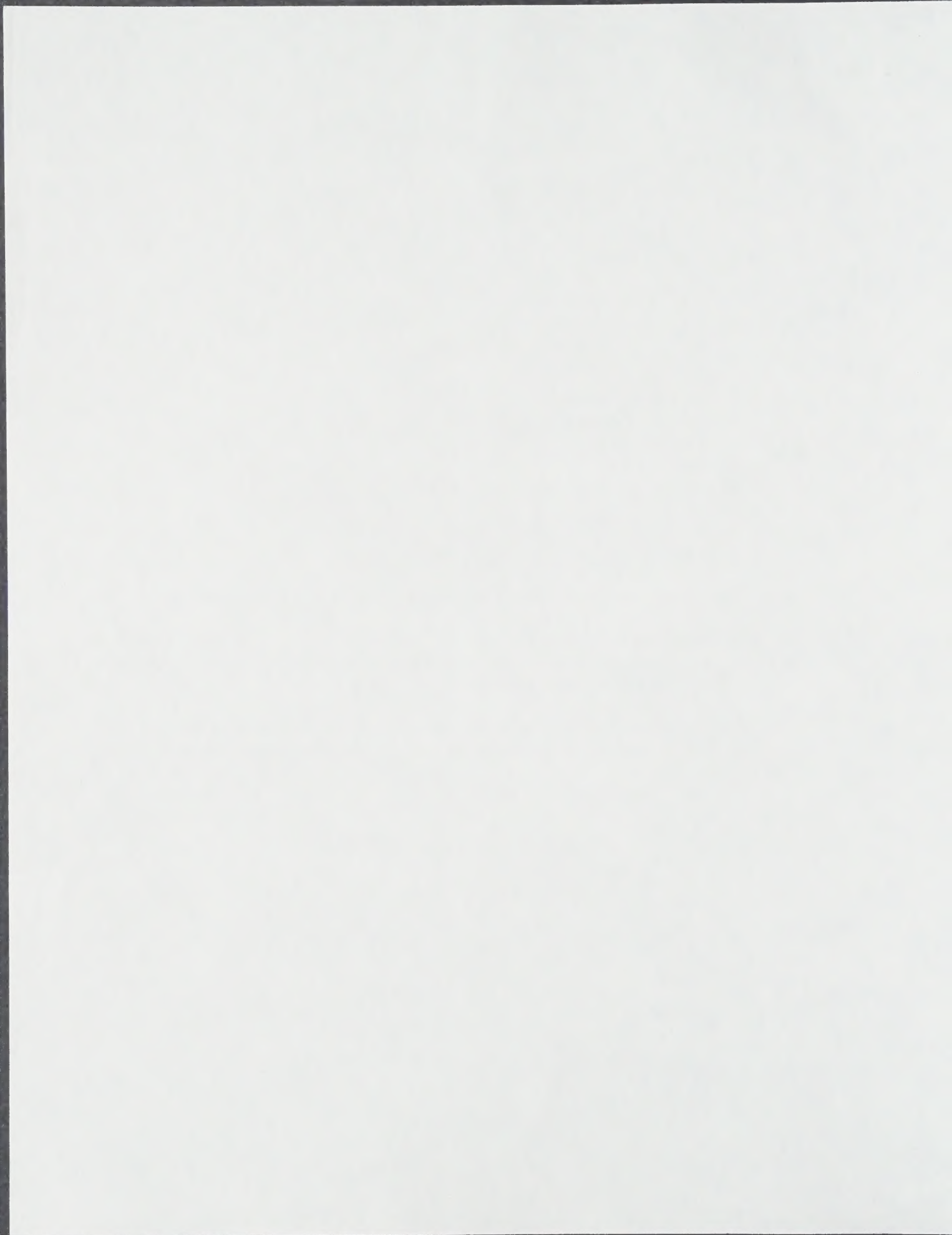
Time flies, and we should look ahead for our trip to England this summer.

We plan to be in England from the 23rd of June to the 26th of July and would love to come to Cambridge for a day to spend some time with you and Prudence, with Steven Ley and with Roger Sansom.

We haven't made detailed plans yet, but know that we must be in London the week of July 12th. Would a day during the week of July 5th be convenient to all of you?

All good wishes from house to house.

Sincerely,



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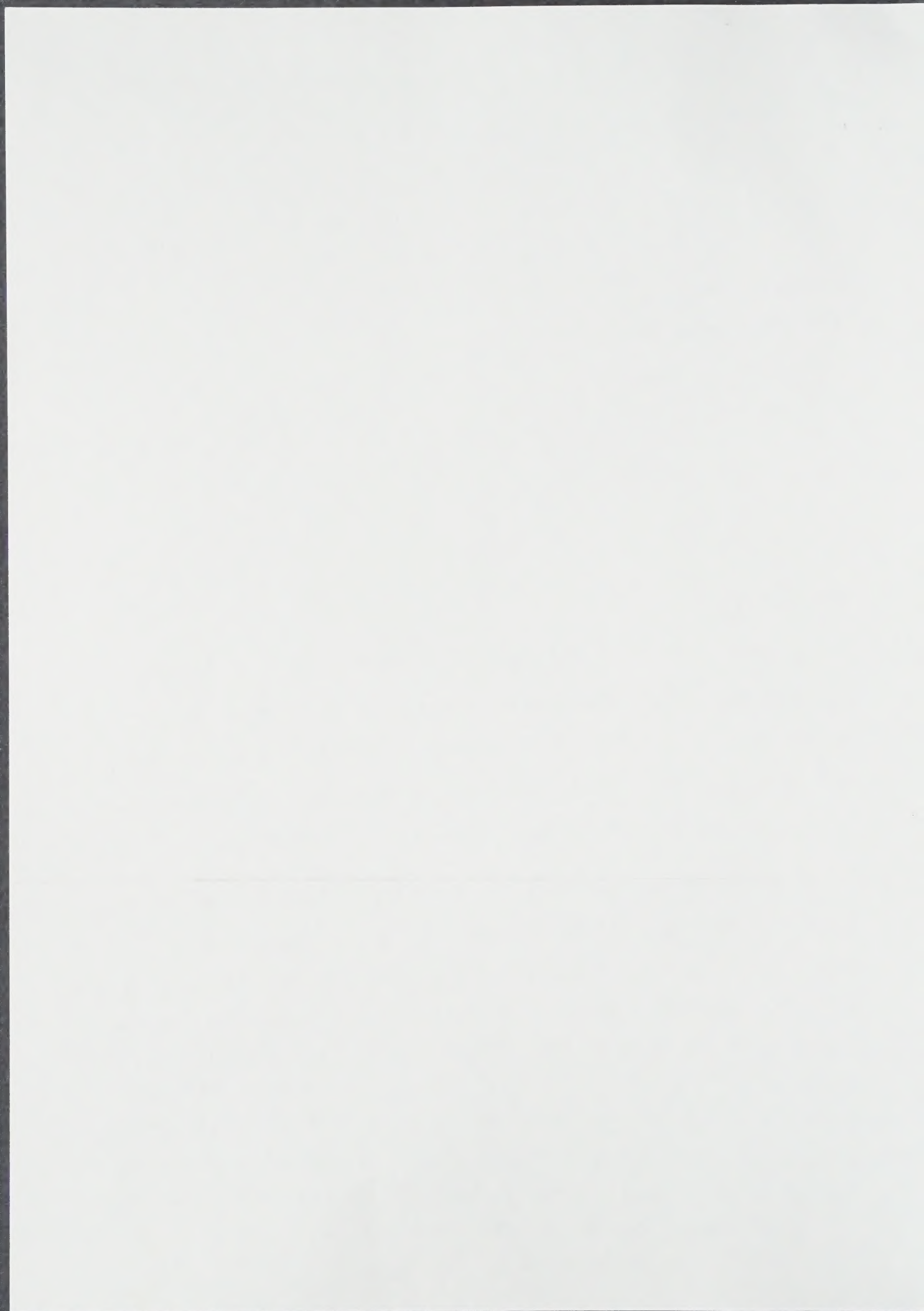
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Dear Alfred,

I heard at the end of last month that I had been awarded the Alfred Bader Award of the Royal Society of Chemistry. This is a great privilege and an honour, and it gives me much pleasure to associate my first ever chemistry award with your benefaction. Thank you very much!

I wonder whether you will be visiting Cambridge in the near future. Cambridge Display Technology is up and running with at least five full time employees on a site off the Huntingdon Road near the University farm. We are soon to appoint a part time Chairman of the Board and are looking for part time financial and commercial people to take us through a second round of funding. I think you will be impressed and I hope we may persuade you to invest. Chris Smart is already playing much less of a role, and will probably be replaced within 6 months. With warm regards to you and Isabel

Yours sincerely,
Andy





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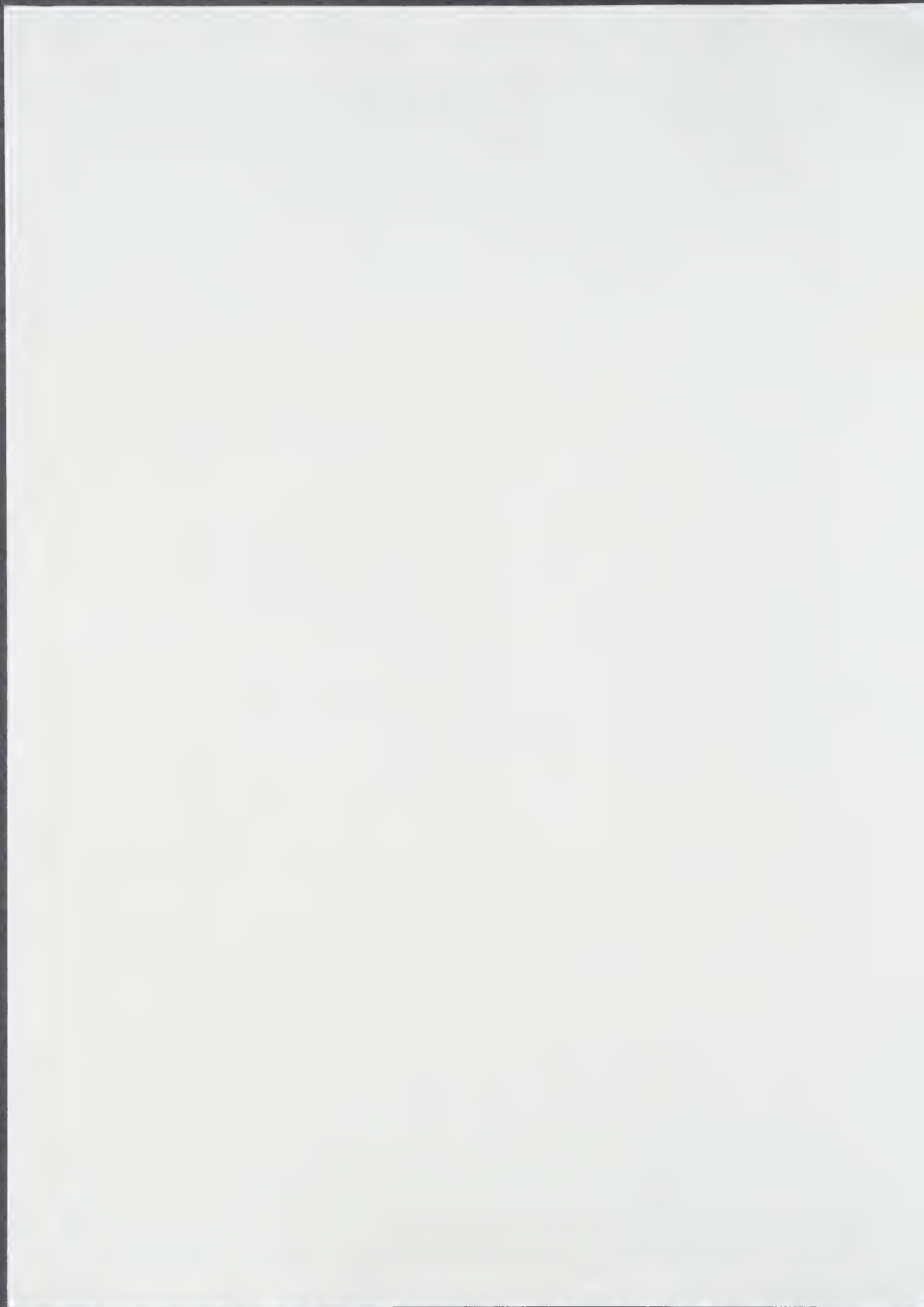
Dear Alfred

Thank you for your note concerning the UC Bursary Scheme. I must confess I share your concerns. It does seem that UC have short changed the process by staging only a one day event with little opportunity to interact with the students. I'd be interested to know the catchment area which UC targetted for their advertising. Also I'd be interested to know how much background was obtained about each student from their six-form teachers to see if they truly qualify for the award. As I said before, this is very delicate ground and it is difficult to factor in all parts of the equation. It is hard to find out about someone's background and opportunities without causing offence. It is a fact that some would have no embarrassment in asking for support, but many others are too proud or too shy to enter the scheme. It is often these latter groups that are the more needy. It may also have something to do with the attractiveness of UC as a University. I hope Willy will get closely involved with the scheme as he could make a big difference to who is selected.

If you want to talk this through in more detail, give me a call.

Warmest regards as always to you and Isabel.

Yours sincerely



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JKMS/AJH
7 June 1994

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Dear Dr Bader

As you probably know, I was awarded this year's Josef Loschmidt Prize by the Royal Society of Chemistry. I am writing to thank you for your generosity to the Society, and its prizewinners, which is much appreciated.

Enclosed are a few reprints of our work which you may find of interest.

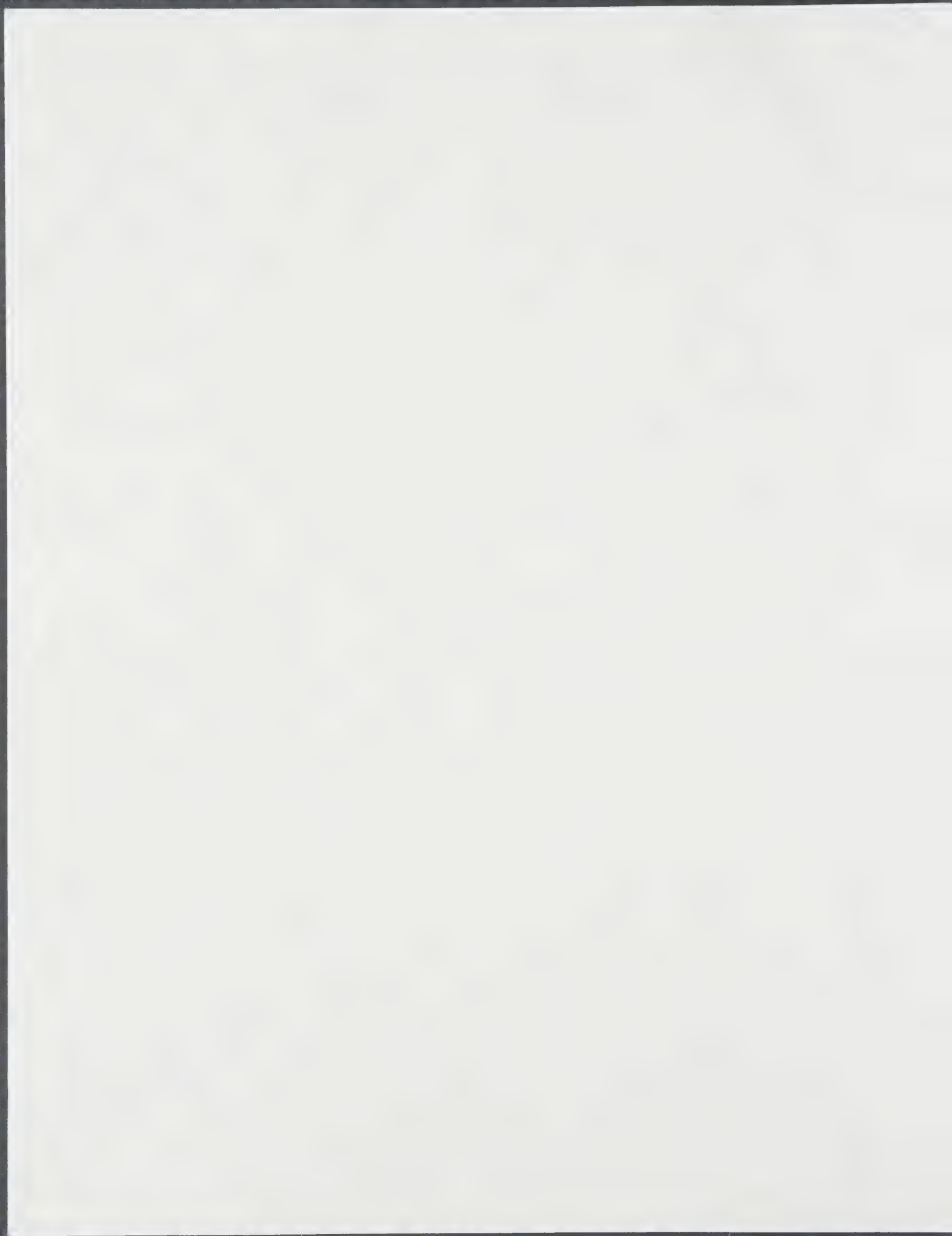
With best wishes.

Yours sincerely

Jeremy Sanders

To SB:
Interested in
a paper for Acca?

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January 16, 1995

Dr. Braja Sundar Pradhan
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Dear Dr. Pradhan:

Your letter of January 6th reminded me of our pleasant meeting at Cambridge in December.

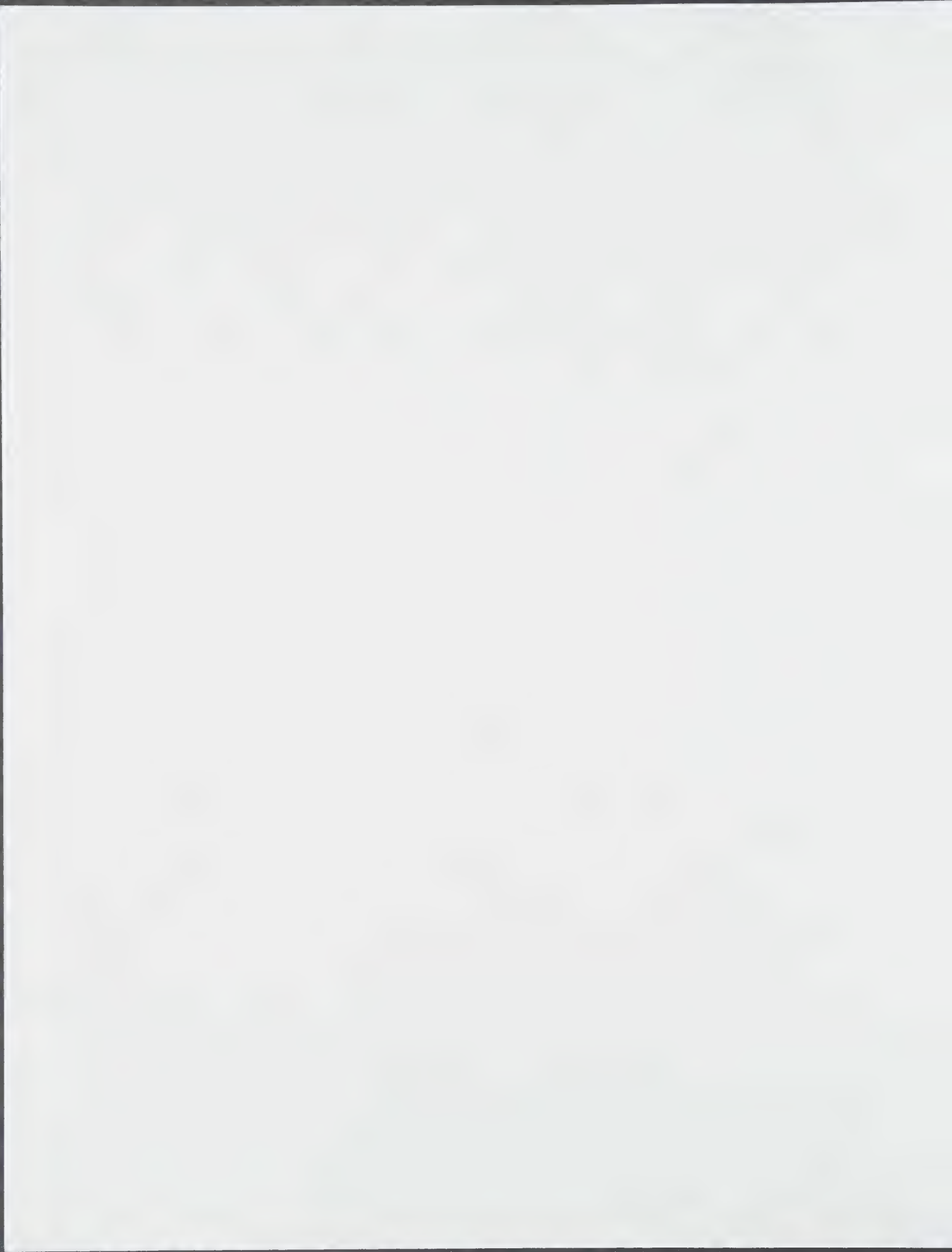
I have given your list of twelve compounds to Dr. Stephen Branca, the chemist at Aldrich in charge of the acquisition of new products. Undoubtedly you will hear from him directly.

Of course, Dr. Branca will ask you exactly how you know what the optical purity of your compounds is and how you will be able to assure the same optical purity when you manufacture them in India.

All good wishes.

Sincerely,

c: Dr. Stephen Branca





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SVL/PRI

3 October 1994

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Dear Alfred,

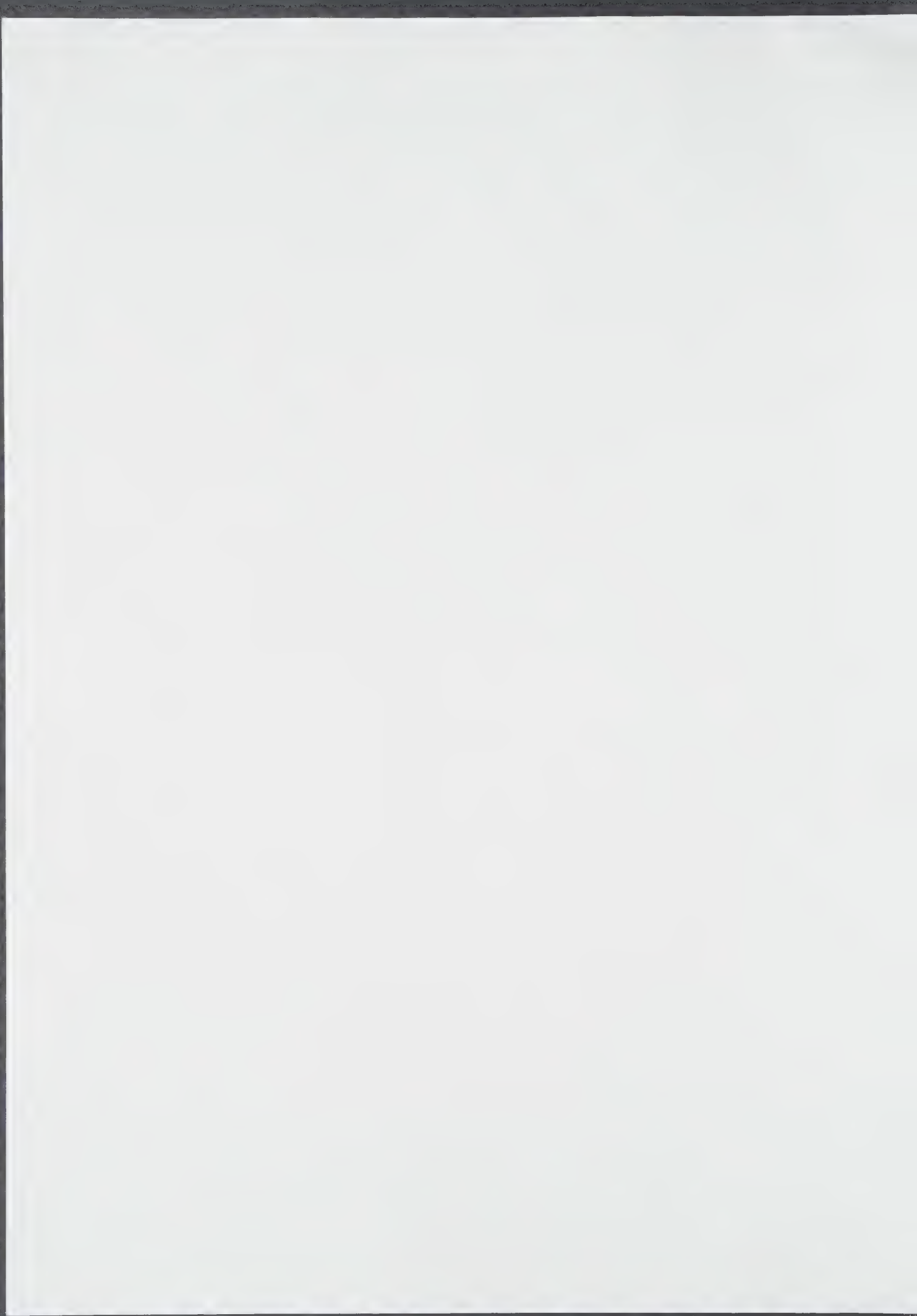
I am very happy for you to use any letters that were printed in your autobiography. If I can help in any other way to assist you let me know.

Work has been going quite well at Cambridge and we will publish a record number of papers this year. I have enclosed a copy of a reprint of our TPAP reagent review which appeared in *Synthesis*. Since you promoted this reagent for us it has become very popular as you will see!

I hope you and Isabelle are in good health. Please remember that you have an open invitation to visit us at any time you are over this way.

With warmest regards.

Yours sincerely,



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July 13, 1994

Dr. Andrew B. Holmes
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Dear Andy:

I am sorry that a long trip to the Continent and England has delayed my thanking you for your gracious letter of June 6th.

Of course I was delighted to learn that you had won the Bader Award and Dr. Sanders the Loschmidt Award. Isabel and I look forward to being in Cambridge either late in November or early in December, and we hope to be able to congratulate you then.

Also, I will then be happy to learn more about the development of Cambridge Display Technology.

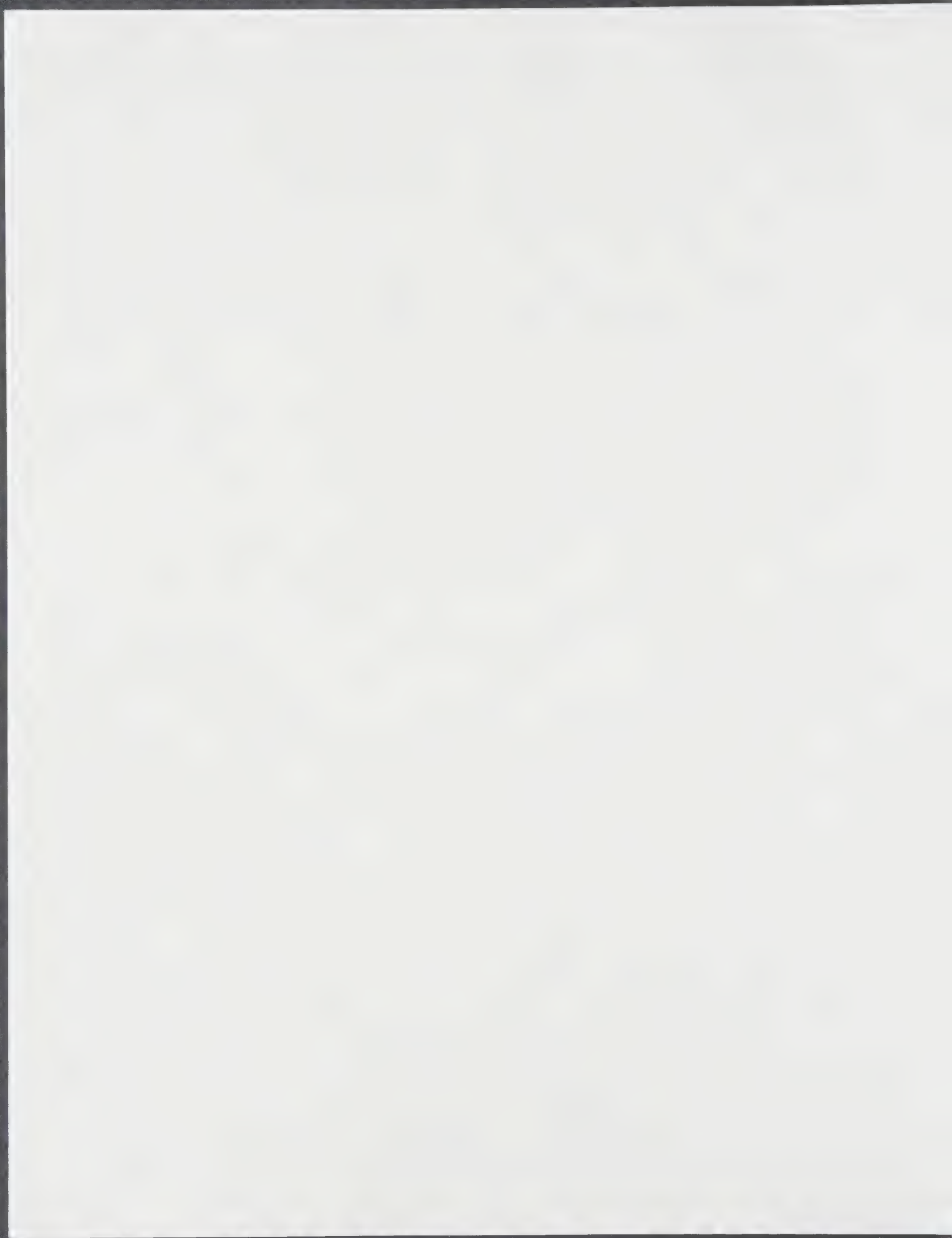
It would be great if you could write a paper detailing your work to be published by the *Aldrichimica Acta*. As Ralph Raphael may have told you, all of the chemists at Aldrich have remained my good friends and I would just like to ask you not to mention the fact that you have won the Alfred Bader Award in your paper. If you do, my successor, Dr. Tom Cori, might well forbid its publication.

The editor of the *Acta* is a very able chemist, Dr. Stephen Branca, who is working hard to keep up the standards of the publication.

All good wishes.

Sincerely,

c: Dr. Stephen Branca



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June 7, 1994

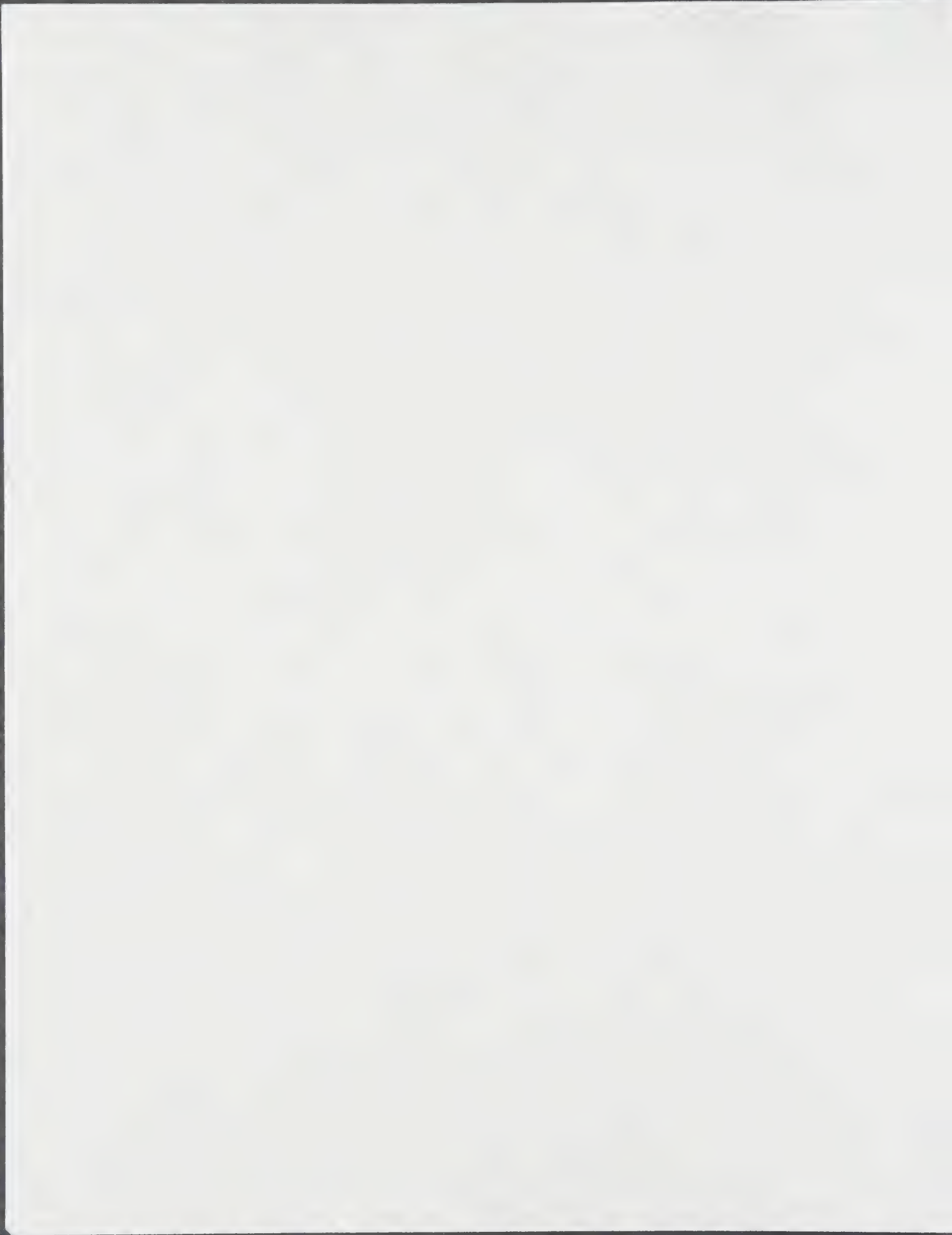
Dr. J. K. M. Sanders
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Dear Dr. Sanders:

I am so happy to know that you have been awarded the second Josef Loschmidt Prize of the Royal Society of Chemistry. Isabel and I hope to be in Cambridge later this year and would very much like a chance to congratulate you personally, then.

All good wishes.

Sincerely,





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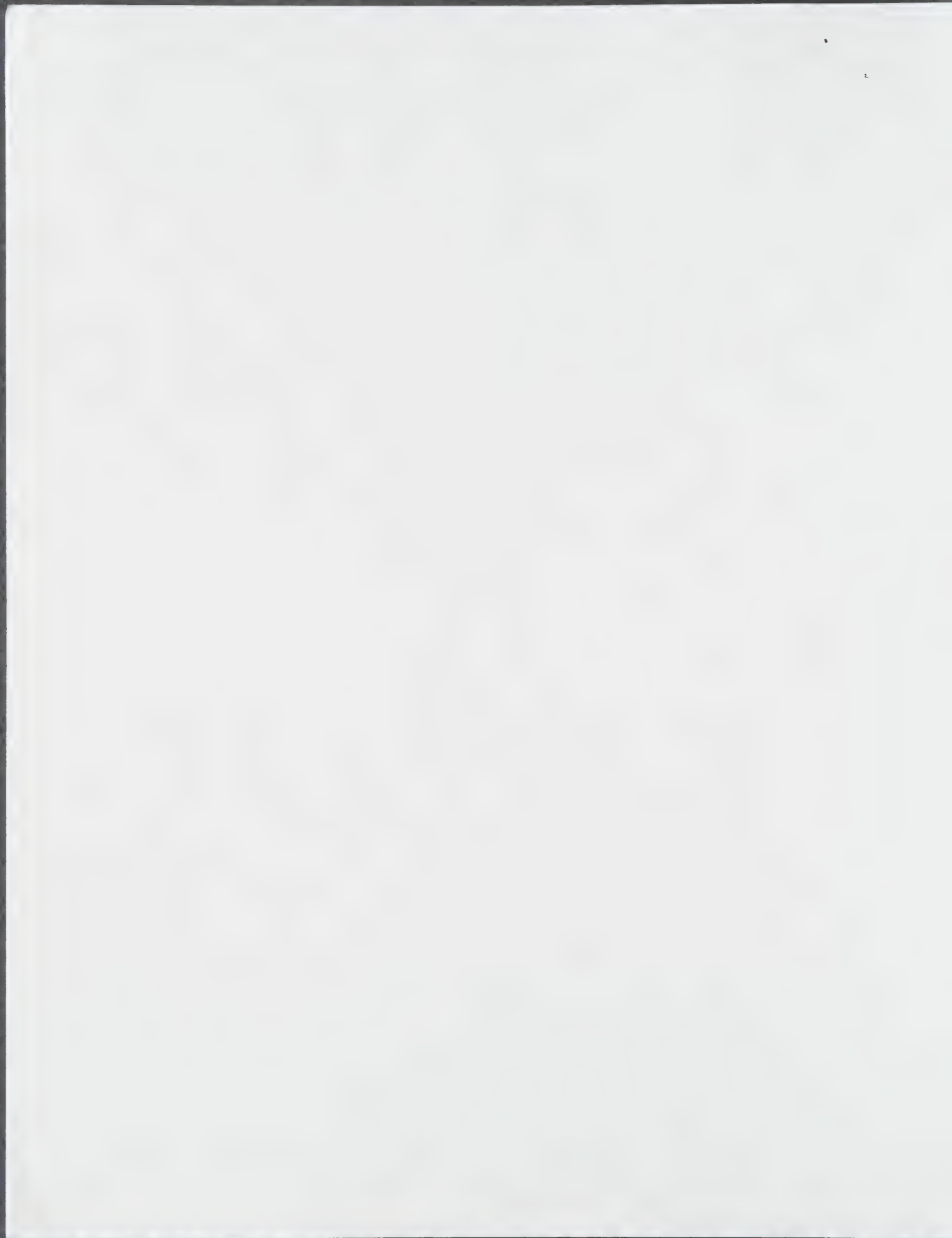
Dear Dudley

Thank you so much for your letters
of November 17 (typed) and 28 (handwritten).

Isabel & I much hope to have a
chance to see you during our visit
to Cambridge next week. I will then
explain why I cannot accept your very
kind ~~expressed~~ invitation to join your
Advisory Board.

With all good wishes,

Alfred





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28 Nov, 1995

Dear Alfred,

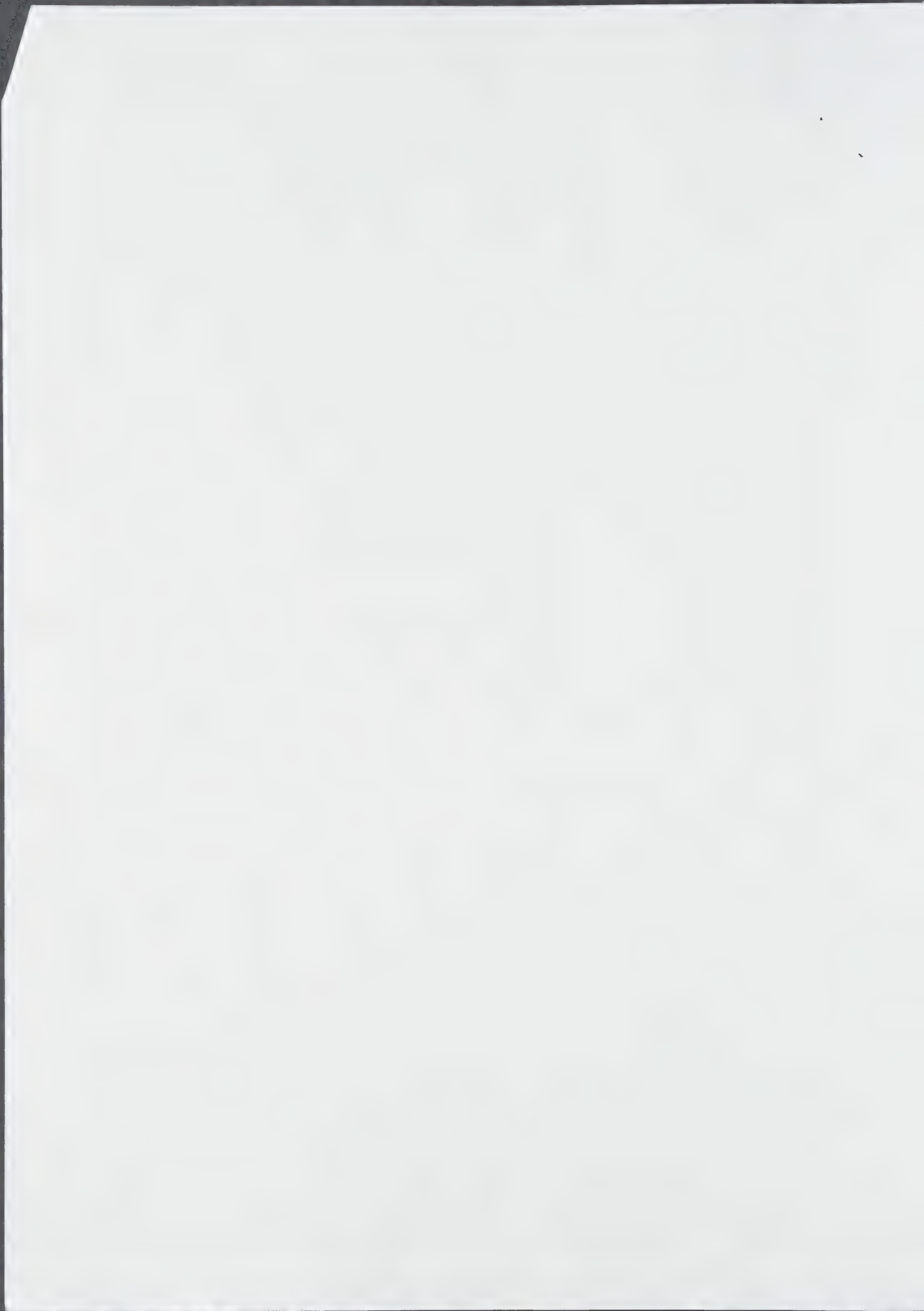
The signed original of the enclosed letter has been sent to your U.S. address, but then Ralph learned you were already in the U.K.! Hence, the copy.

If you feel you can join the Board of Advisors, it might be useful for Ralph, Steve, you & me to have lunch together on Dec. 13 (when Ralph & Prudence tell me you will be in Cambridge)

Best wishes,

Dudley

P.S. Richard Sykes, Chief Executive of Glaxo-Wellcome has just agreed to join the Advisory Board - much to our pleasure!





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DHW/ELP
17 November 1995

Dr Alfred Bader

Dear Alfred

We are writing to you in the hope that as a valued and influential friend of this department you may be able to help and advise us with regard to our plans for the future of the University Chemical Laboratory. As you know, our building is not only in need of refurbishment, but is no longer big enough for our current and further needs. The Government is not making available funds for the maintenance of standards of infrastructure, and therefore we must turn to self-help.

One of us (DHW) has agreed to chair a fund-raising committee, and SVL is a member of the committee. RAR will provide guidance from time to time. The planned improvements include the addition of a Library and Information Technology Centre, and the building of a new wing. The sums involved are of the order of tens of millions of pounds. The nuts and bolts of this endeavour will of course be handled internally, but the academics on the Appeal Committee (David King, Steve Ley, Brian Johnson, Chris Abell and Dudley Williams) have decided that we should appoint a distinguished Advisory Board to advise from time to time.

The function of the Advisory Board would be to meet, probably no more than once a year over dinner (with a semi-formal meeting to precede the dinner), in order to give general guidance on aspects of the appeal. The Vice Chancellor Elect of Cambridge University, Professor Alec Broers, will be joining it, as will a former Vice Chancellor, Lord Butterfield.

If you are also able to join us in this important function as a member of the Advisory Board, we would be delighted. We feel it is crucial to have advice stemming from your knowledge of chemistry and chemists in both the U.S. and Europe. In addition, we will be issuing two further invitations in the U.K., one in Europe, and one more in the U.S. We should add that the first meeting is unlikely to occur until around 9 to 12 months from now, but we wish to get the Advisory Board in place as soon as possible.

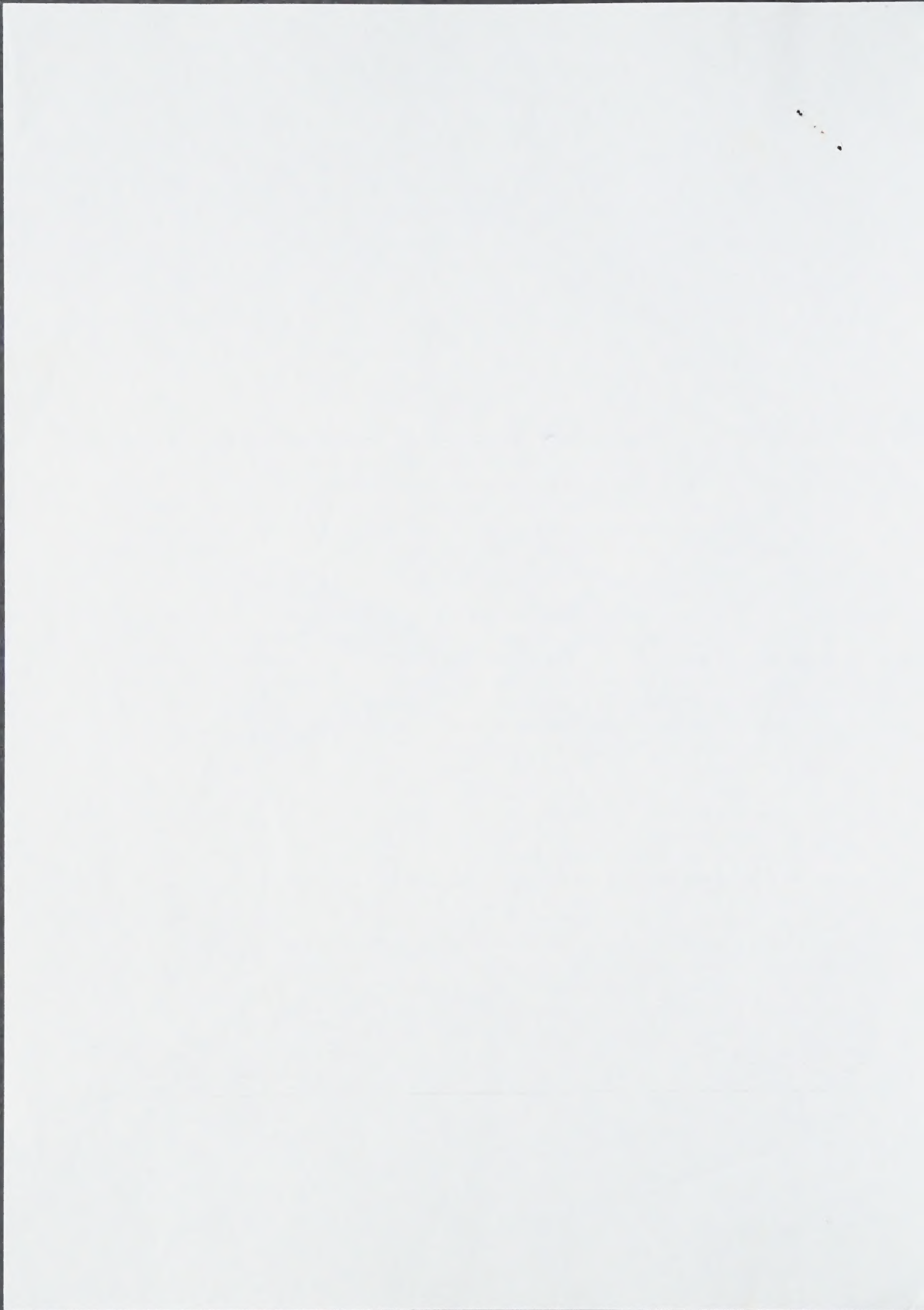
Best wishes.

Yours sincerely

Steve Ley

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Best wishes.

Yours sincerely

Steve Ley

Ralph Raphael

Dudley Williams

[†] Since I dictated this letter, Sir Richard Lykes, CEO of Glaxo-Wellcome has also agreed to join us.

