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A Chemist Helping Chemists

January 26, 2007

TO:

Drs. Anne & Howard Alper

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Chemistry Department, University of Ottawa

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Dear Anne and Howard,

Just today I received a copy of No. 10 of Vol. 84 of the Canadian Journal of Chemistry with your wonderful tribute to me.

Please accept my sincere thanks.

With fond regards as always,

Alfred Bader

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August 5, 1997

Dr. Howard Alper Université d'Ottawa Faculté des Sciences - Chimie 10 Marie Curie Ottawa, Ontario K1N 6N5 Canada

Dear Howard:

Isabel and I much look forward to being in Ottawa during the last days in October.

You and Anne, like many chemists, have admired the work of that Bohemian artist, which we exhibited at Purdue in honor of Herbert Brown's 85th birthday. During our last visit to Bohemia, in June, I acquired some more of his works, and we will take some, unframed, with us in case you would like to pick one or two. They should be framed and under glass, but carrying temperas on good paper unframed is much easier than framed.

To turn to a different matter, a Czech chemist, Dr. Tomás Kucera, who received his Ph.D. in biochemistry and molecular cell biology from Göttingen, has written to you regarding whether you might have a postdoctoral position.

Dr. Kucera wrote to you at my suggestion, even though I know that your work is far removed from his interests and training. However, Kucera is such an outstanding and good human being that I was hoping that you might find someone in biochemistry who could offer him a position. He is much more than just a very good and well-trained biochemist. He is a man with many interests, and not just in chemistry, and I believe that eventually he will want to return to the Czech Republic. I know that it would give you and me a great deal of pleasure to be the catalyst in the development of such a mind.

With fond regards from house to house, as always,



Dr. Howard Alper Université d'Ottawa Faculté des Sciences- Chimie 10 Marie Curie Ottawa, Ontario K1N 6N5 Canada

Göttingen, June 10, 1997

Dear Dr. Alper,

I have got your address from Dr. Alfred Bader who recommend me to write you about my request. First of all I should introduce myself. My name is Tomas Kucera, I am born in Zlín in the Czech republic and studied biochemistry at the Masaryk University in Brno. After my study I have got the chance to go to Göttingen. In September, 1993 I started my work in Prof. Jungermann's Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Cell Biology. Until now I had to do with the systematical physiology and classical biochemistry. In April, 1997 I obtained my doctorate. I send you some manuscripts containing the topics of my work. Soon another publication entitled "Impairment by chronic ethanol intoxication of the stimulation of intestinal glucose absorption by portal insulin via hepatoenteral nerves studied in the isolated, jointly perfused liver and small intestine of the rat" should be submitted.

Now I would like to know if there is a possibility to work in your labor. I very much appreciate your answer and looking forward to it.

Yours sincerely,

Tomas Kucera Am Vogelsang 3 /004 37075 Göttingen Germany



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June 24, 1997

Dr. Tomas Kucera Am Vogelsang 31004 37075 Gottingen Germany

Dear Dr Kucera:

Thank you for your letter and reprints. My research is in metal catalyzed processes, far removed from your own research area. Therefore, since the skillsets are very different, I cannot consider you for a position. However, I will circulate your letter and CV to colleagues in the Biochemistry department, and will ask them to contact you, in the event interest is expressed in your background and experience.

Best wishes for success in securing a suitable position.

Sincerely,

Howard Alper

Professor of Chemistry

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Professor Paul Bartlett Department of Chemistry University of California Berkeley, CA 94720

Göttingen, June 10, 1997

Dear Professor Bartlett,

I have got your address from Dr. Bader who did recommend me to write you about my request. First of all I should introduce myself. My name is Tomas Kucera. I studied biochemistry at the Masaryk University in Brno in the Czech republik where I am born. Then I took the opportunity to go to Germany and started in September, 1993 my work at the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Cell Biology in Göttingen. In this institute I am currently working till December, 1997.

I send you some manuscripts. They contain the topics of my work in which I obtained my doctorate in April, 1997. Soon another publication entitled "Impairment by chronic ethanol intoxication of the stimulation of intestinal glucose absorption by portal insulin via hepatoenteral nerves studied in the isolated, jointly perfused liver and small intestine of the rat" should be submitted. This implies until now I was working on the field bordering physiology and biochemistry.

Now I would like to know if there is a possibility to work in your labor. I really appreciate your answer.

Yours sincerely,

Tomas Kucera Am Vogelsang 3 /004 37075 Göttingen Germany

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DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA 94720-1460

19 June 1997

Tomás Kucera Am Vogelsang 3/004 D-37075 Göttingen Germany

Dear Dr. Kucera,

Thank you for your interest in a postdoctoral position with my research group; Dr. Alfred Bader had contacted me on your behalf as well. Unfortunately, my group is very full and I have no positions available during the time that you are seeking. The research in my group is heavily based on organic synthesis as well, and I think your background in biochemistry would be more appropriate in a different laboratory. I will you all the best in finding a suitable alternative position.

Sincerely,

Paul A. Bartlett

Professor of Chemistry

Professor Stan Brown Chairman, Department of Chemistry Queen's University Kingston, Ontario K7L 3N6 Canada

Göttingen, June 10, 1997

Dear Professor Brown,

according to the advise of Dr. Alfred Bader who gave me your address I write to you directly.

My name is Tomas Kucera. I am born in the Czech republic where I studied biochemistry at the Masaryk University in Brno. Immediately after my study in June, 1993 I took the opportunity of a stipendium in Göttingen and started my work in Prof. Jungermann's Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Cell Biology. At the end of my stipendium I could continue my work for the next two years (till December, 1997). In April, 1997 I obtained my doctorate.

Until now I was busy at the area between the systematic physiology and the classical biochemistry. The methodical emphasis laid in the jointly perfusion of the rat liver and small intestine. I enclose some manuscripts they have been published during my stay in Göttingen and have a connection with my doctor work entitled "Verlust der Wirkungen hepatischer und enteraler Nerven auf den Kohlenhydrat-Stoffwechsel von Leber und Darm durch chronische Ethanol-Intoxikation und im Diabetes mellitus". Another paper should be soon submitted by the title "Impairment by chronic ethanol intoxication of the stimulation of intestinal glucose absorption by portal insulin via hepatoenteral nerves studied in the isolated, jointly perfused liver and small intestine of the rat".

Now I would like to know if there is a possibility to work in your labor. I very much appreciate your answer and looking forward to it.

Yours sincerely,

Tomas Kucera Am Vogelsang 3 /004 37075 Göttingen Germany



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July 7, 1997

Queen's University Kingston, Canada K7L 3N6

Tomas Kucera Am Vogelsang 3 /004 37075 Gottingen Germany

Dear Dr. Kucera:

Thank you for your letter of June 10 requesting a postdoctoral fellowship. Unfortunately I have expended all my research funds for the foreseeable future and will not be able to offer you a postdoctoral fellowship.

Thank you for your interest and good luck in your search.

Sincerely,

R.S. Brown

Professor and Head.

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Born in Prague in 1943, Jaromír Košař has spent most of his life in Pardubice in eastern Bohemia. His father and grandfather were amateur painters, and his brother is both an architect and an illustrator. Košař followed the interests of his family, taking up the study of art after finishing high school in Pardubice. He then went on to study civil engineering at the Technical University in Prague from which he graduated in 1965. Košař worked as a surveyor in Pardubice, with time out to study graphics and to paint. Since 1990, he has been painting full-time. The family clearly demonstrates that art and science can be combined.

Košař's favorite medium is tempera, and his favorite subjects are the nooks and crannies of the old towns he knows. He has had numerous exhibitions in Bohemia, Austria and Italy, but this is his first show in North America.

Artist's Statement:

I love the peace and romance of old towns, villages and buildings, the silent witnesses of so much history. This is what I try to capture in my paintings before it is destroyed. Life is too short, too hectic. We need to pause a while to contemplate the beauty of the world around us.

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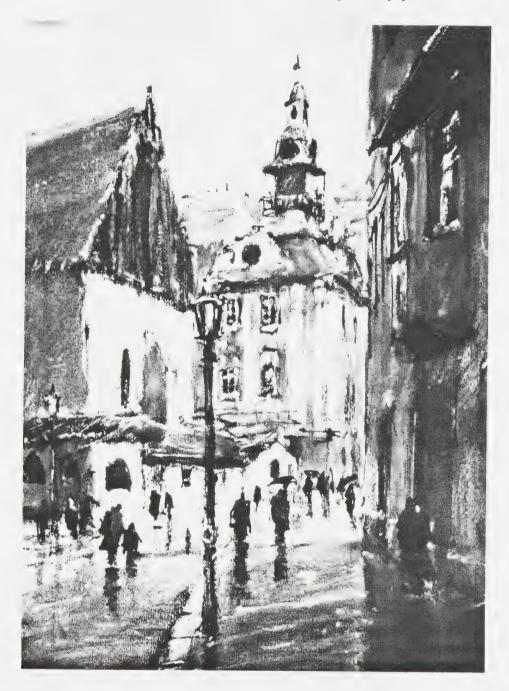
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- 3. *A Courtyard in Pardubice in the Winter* (1994)
 Tempera on paper; 20 1/2" x 16 1/2" (illustrated: b/w)
- 4. A Rainy Day at the Alt-Neu Synagogue in Prague (1996) Tempera on paper; 16 1/4" x 12 1/4" (illustrated: color)
- 5. *A Street in Prague* (1996) Tempera on paper; 12" x 15 1/2" (illustrated: b/w)
- 6. Ancient Jewish Cemetery in Prague (1996) Tempera on paper; 15 1/8" x 12 1/4"
- 7. The Alt-Neu Synagogue in Prague on a Clear Day (1996) Tempera on paper; 16 1/4" x 12 1/4"
- 8. A Street Scene in Prague (Karlova-Husova) (1996) Tempera on paper; 16" x 12"

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- 9. *In Front of a Workshop I* (1996) Tempera on paper; 12" x 16"
- 10. Street Scene in Scalea (1996) Tempera on paper; 14 1/2" x 11"
- 11. Winter in Svratka (1996) Tempera on paper; 12" x 16"
- 12. *A Venice Canal* (1996)
 Tempera on paper; 16" x 12"







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A Chemist Helping Chemists

October 1, 1997

Dr. Howard Alper Université d'Ottawa Faculté des Sciences - Chimie 10 Marie Curie Ottawa, Ontario K1N 6N5 CANADA

Dear Howard:

Thank you for your call today.

As I mentioned, I just received Tomas Kucera's Ph.D. thesis and that is enclosed. You know that I am an old-fashioned organiker and do not understand anything about Kucera's work, though it must be competent to bring him the Ph.D. from Göttingen. And I am convinced that he is truly a good human being.

Hence, I still hope that you might be successful.

With fond regards and all good wishes for the New Year to you and Anne, as always,

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Enclosure

be: Tomas Kucera





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A Chemist Helping Chemists

September 17, 1997

Dr. Howard Alper Université d'Ottawa Faculté des Sciences - Chimie 10 Marie Curie Ottawa, Ontario K1N 6N5 CANADA

Dear Howard:

You will recall that I have written to you a couple of times about a Czech chemist who just received his Ph.D. from the University of Göttingen.

I am not at all knowledgeable in his area of work but I am trying to help him because I believe that he is a most intelligent and thoughtful person.

The enclosed four papers will tell you something about his work.

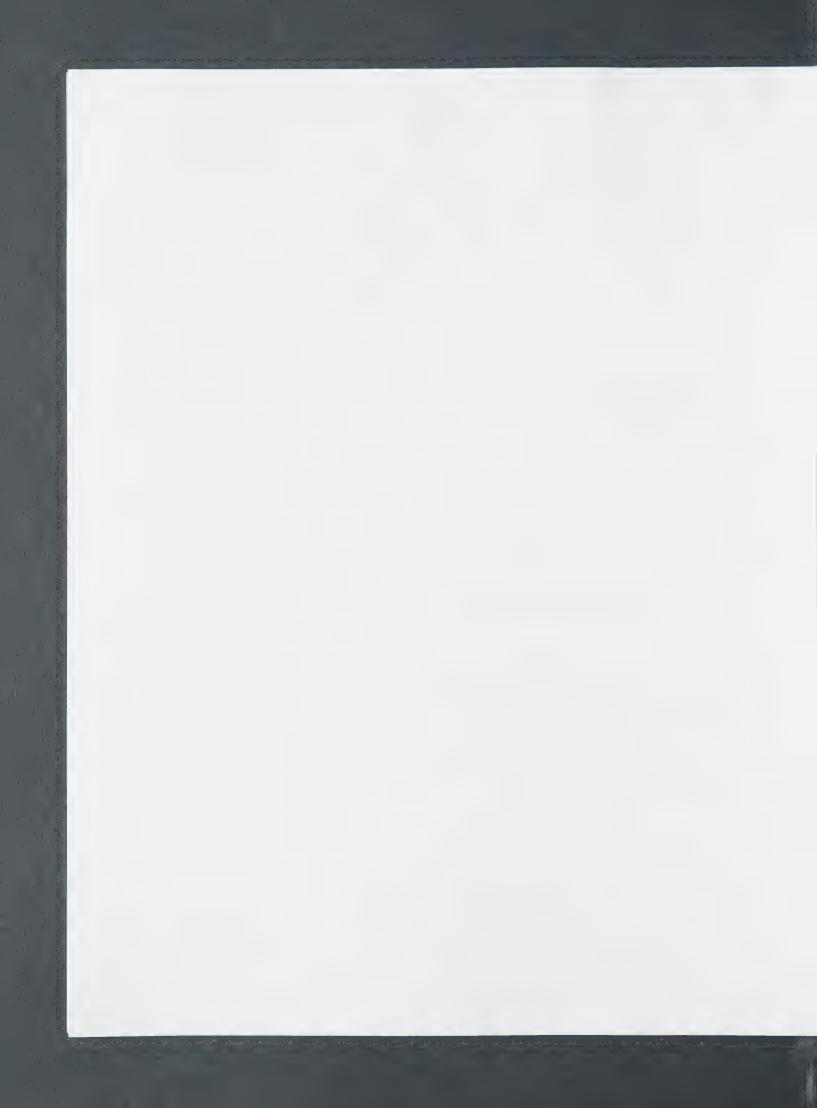
I would love to have him come to Canada as a Post Doc for a year or two. Naturally I recommended to Tomas that he write to Stan Brown at Queen's, who replied that all their funds for Post Docs had been exhausted.

With many thanks for all your help and best personal regards, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

AB/nik

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A Chemist Helping Chemists

June 3, 1997

Dr. Howard Alper Université d'Ottawa Faculté des Sciences - Chimie 10 Marie Curie Ottawa, Ontario K1N 6N5 Canada

Dear Howard:

Thank you so much for your kind letter with that astounding story about Dr. Sheridan and his family.

You may have noted that he spent some time in the same prisoner-of-war camp that I was, the Ile aux Noix. However, what he tells about that camp is simply not correct. I am absolutely certain that there wasn't a single Nazi in that camp, nor were there any rooms to share. We all slept in two-tiered bunk beds in very large halls. Hence, his alleging that "he was forced to share his room with a Nazi, to whom he refused to speak" is simply not correct.

I wonder how many other stories told in that article are incorrect. Is it believable that Dr. and Mrs. Schmidt would beat up Dr. Sigal and leave him half-conscious on the floor of his office and then be fined only \$20 for common assault?

Such details aside, this is an unbelievably moving and sad story. Thank you for sending it to me.

I am glad that you like the work of that Czech artist, Jaromír Kosar, and when I return to Milwaukee late in July, I will send you some snapshots for you to choose.



Dr. Howard Alper June 3, 1997 Page 2

May I ask you about another matter? Two years ago, at a Loschmidt Symposium, I met a very able Czech chemist, Dr. Tomás Kucera, who has now received his Ph.D., summa cum laude, in biochemistry from the University of Göttingen. Dr. Kucera struck me as a very able and caring human being. He has now written to me to inquire whether I know of any post-doctoral positions in North America to which he can apply. I don't know whether you have any post-doctoral openings, but I will write to Dr. Kucera suggesting that he write to you directly.

With all good wishes to you and Anne, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

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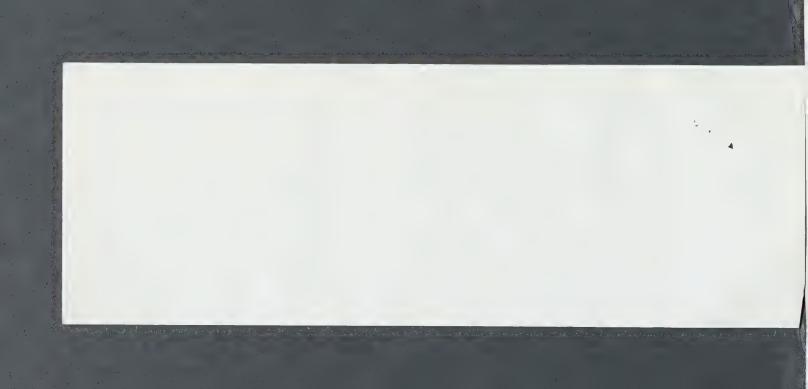
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October 17, 1994

To: Professor Howard Alper Department of Chemistry University of Ottawa

613 564 6793

5 pages

Dear Howard:

Mea culpa. I am sorry that I have completely forgotten your kind invitation of last October to speak in your department.

You know that I always enjoy talking, and my days in Ottawa, the first Thursday and Friday in November are relatively free. I enclose the "menu" of my talks and think that either the talk of Josef Loschmidt or the one on the history of Sigma-Aldrich might be the most interesting to you.

Recently I received a charming letter from a lady in Ottawa, replied and send you copies of both letters. That way you can make sure that there will be no conflict in timing, and you might like to contact her to make sure.

It will be a great pleasure to see you and Anne again.

Best wishes.

As always,

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A Chemist Helping Chemists

April 30, 1997

Professor Howard Alper Université d'Ottawa Faculté des Sciences - Chimie 10 Marie Curie Ottawa, Ontario K1N 6N5 Canada

Dear Howard:

Thank you so much for your fax of April 22nd received while I was enjoying a couple of days with my family and first granddaughter in Pennsylvania.

I will try to talk with the people at Aldrich, both here and during my trip to Toronto at the end of May to urge them to improve service. What a ghastly story!

I really like all three artists exhibited at Purdue but perhaps Kosar best of all. His are the least expensive works because I pick them up in Pardubice and have them framed here.

Before long I should get photographs of the entire exhibition and I will then send you copies, in case you would like one particular painting.

To my best friends I can sell them at close to my cost which ranges between \$800 and \$1200 dollars and if you particularly like one we could probably arrange to deliver it in Ottawa during our visit.

Of course you know how miserable Canadian customs can be but I always enjoy taking chances.

With fond regards from house to house,

As always,



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to see the schurtion itself sarould have been even better!

We loved the painting by Kosan Propally these, are out of our price range what I would appreciate the name of someone I could contact about consideration for purchase of one of Kosais paintings. The information re-Aldrich, which I related to you in SF, was incorrect. On returning here, the manager of Themsely Stores came to see me The accompanying letters which un the FAXed tomorow to Aland are only explanatory 2 leave in two hours for London, Brusto, and Searl, and return May 20, Best Pages: 5 (y compris l'avis de transmission) CHEMISTRY/CHIMIE

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