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Correspondence

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Subject: Re: Samples
From: "Stanislav Radl" <radls@post.cz>
Date: Fri, 10 Oct 2003 12:03:28 +0200 (CEST)
To: "Alfred Bader Fine Arts" <baderfa@execpc.com>

Dear Alfred,

Thank you for your sound advise, I will keep it in mind. Of course, I have no objection if Bob will not pay for samples which are not interesting from his point of view.

Best regards,

Stan

----- PŮVODNÍ ZPRÁVA -----

Od: "Alfred Bader Fine Arts" <baderfa@execpc.com>
Komu: "Dr. Stan Radl" <radls@post.cz>
Předmět: Samples
Datum: 9.10.2003 - 17:45:31

Dear Stan,

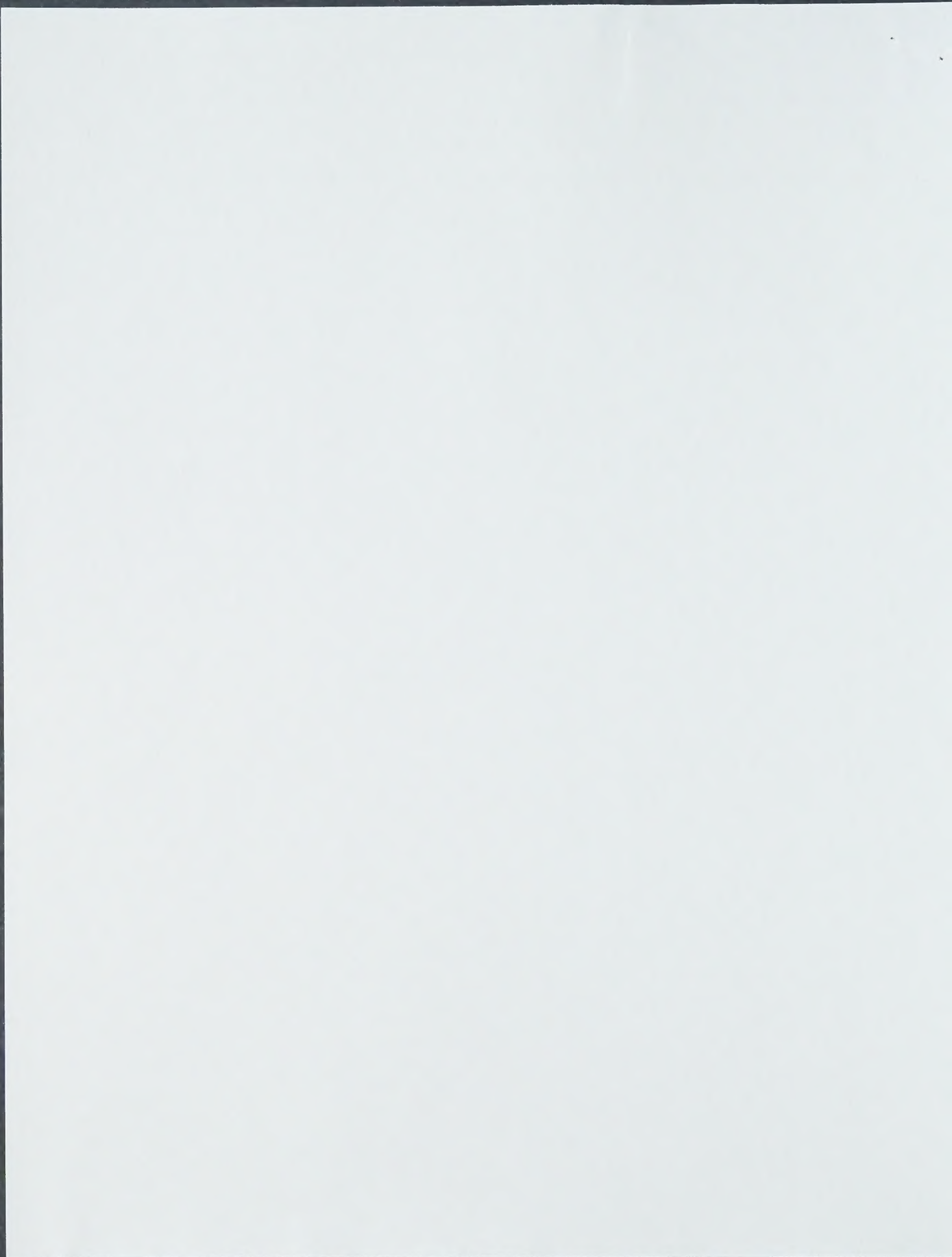
We have invoiced Aldrich for the 7 lots, for a total of \$21,000 and hope that you will be paid shortly. Please let me know when you have received the check.

In the past all of your compounds have been exceedingly interesting and that is why Bob Wandler had no hesitation whatsoever in allowing the price to be raised from \$50 to \$60 per sample.

But I would like to point out to you that among these 7 collections there are a fair number of compounds which are really of very little interest. Of course I did not point this out to Bob Wandler and he has not said anything to me but you should be guided in choosing the next compounds to be sent.

Allow me to give you a few examples:

In Lot 3, p.1, the two benzoic acids without nitrogen are not of great interest. In fact generally without nitrogen are of much less interest. p.2&3, you have 18 compounds with very long chains, again unlikely to be of great interest. p. 4, you have several compounds without nitrogen. You wouldn't call the nitrogen in piperidine as adding to the interest, nor are nitro compounds of much interest.



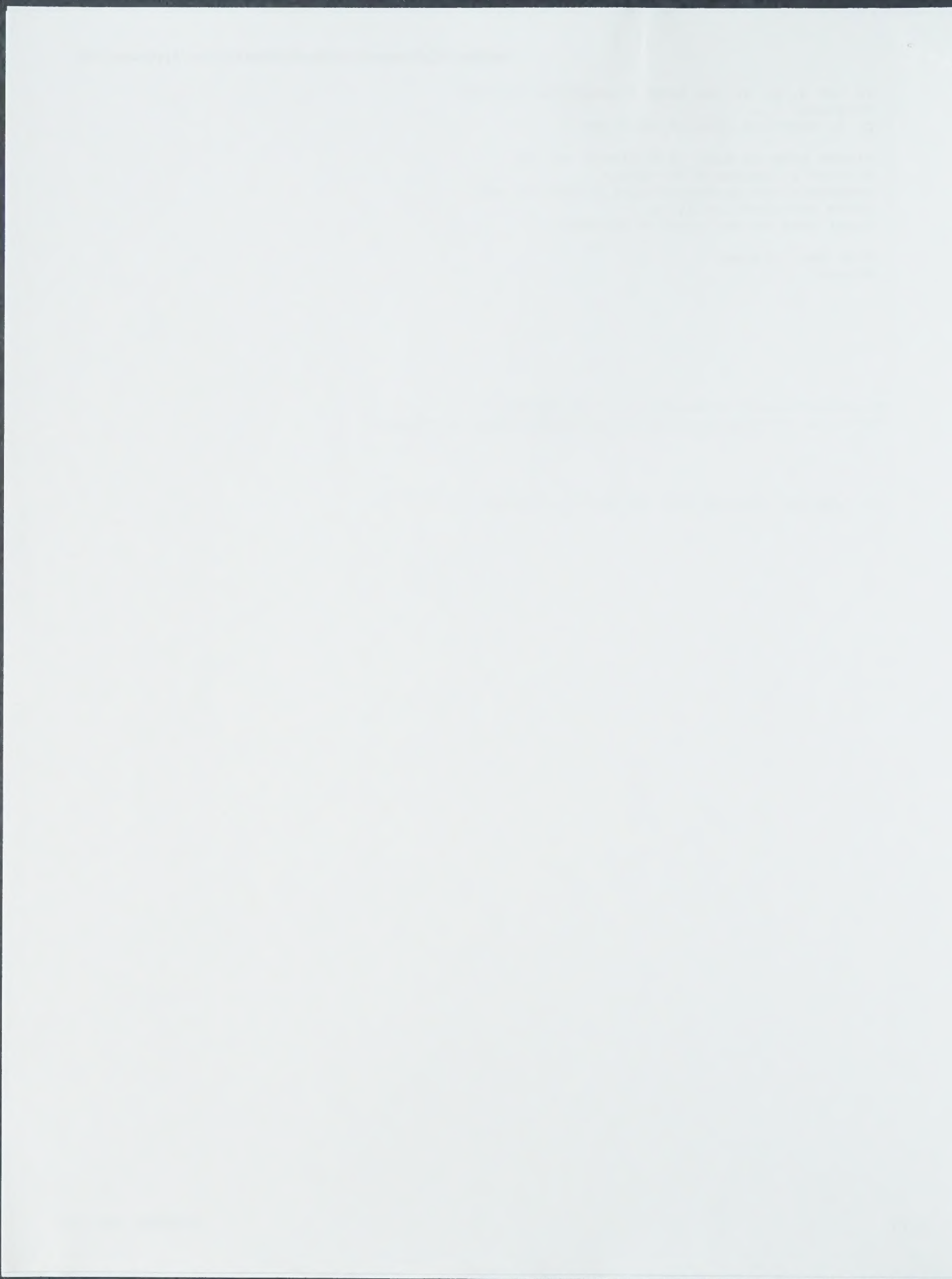
In Lot 4, p. 4, you have 6 compounds without nitrogen
p. 5, most are without nitrogen

Please keep in mind that almost all of Aldrich's customers for these compounds are pharmaceutical companies and there are practically no drugs that do not contain nitrogen.

With best wishes,
Alfred

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Subject:

Date: Tue, 24 Apr 2001 15:56:05 +0200 (CEST)

From: radls@post.cz

To: baderfa@execpc.com

Dear Alfred,

I have duly received the invoices as well as the corresponding check.

Today I also received the last issue of Aldrichimica Acta, which reminded me that Al

I am looking forward to meeting you in Prague.

Best regards,

Stan



Re: Collection of 5

Subject: Re: Collection of 5

Date: Mon, 13 Mar 2000 16:46:53 +0100

From: radls@post.cz

To: Alfred Bader <baderfa@execpc.com>

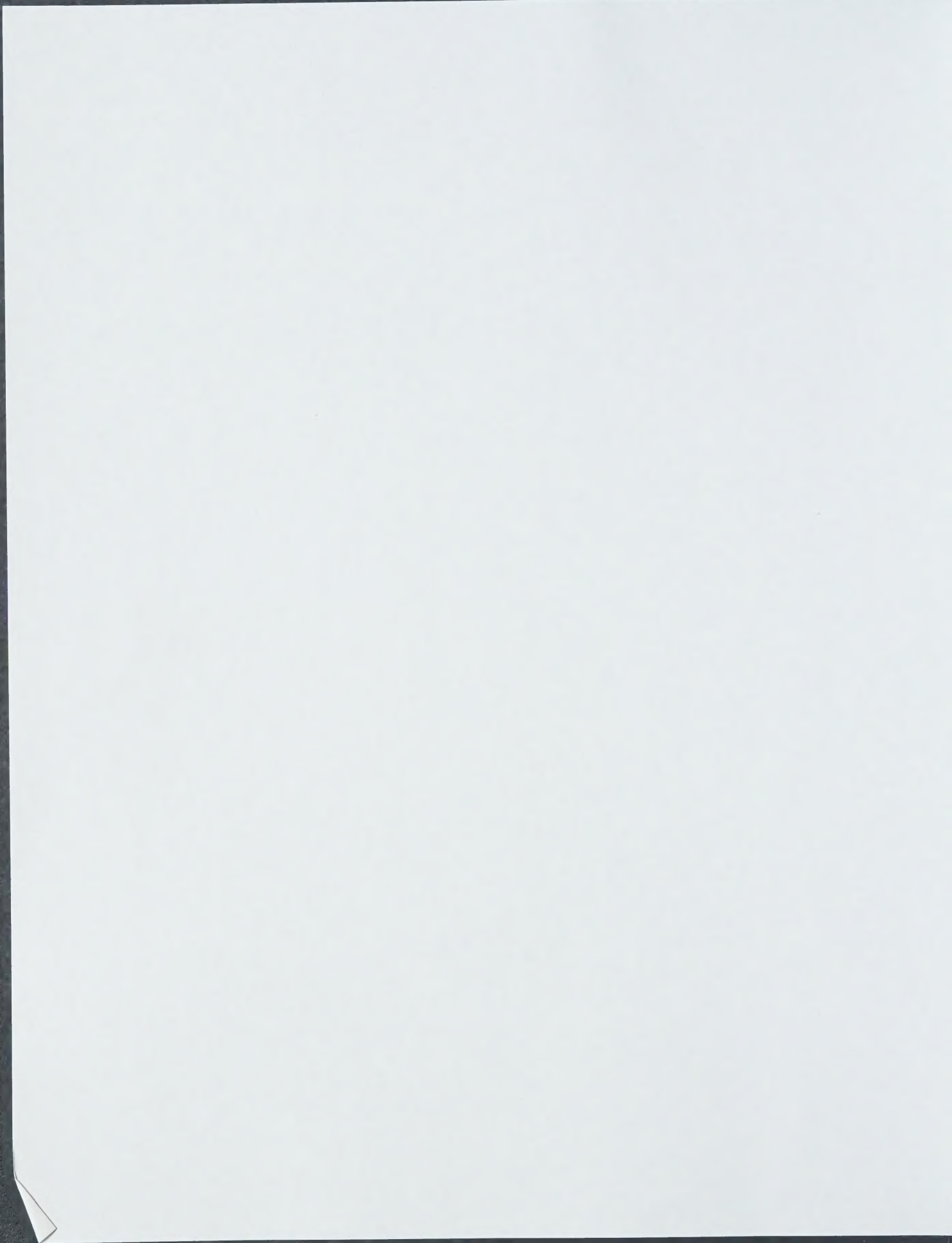
Dear Alfred,

I am glad to hear that all collections have safely arrived. Thank you very much for your collaboration. However, I do not suppose to send more samples in the following several months. If something changes I will let you know.

I am also looking forward to your visit to Prague. Please, let me know in advance the date of your arrival so I can be sure I will be in Prague. Give my best regards to Isabel.

Stan

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Dr. Alfred Bader
2961 N. Shepard Ave.
Milwaukee, WI 53211

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April 22, 1993

Dear Alfred,

Thank you very much for your kind letter of April 9, 1993, and the enclosed copies. I also appreciate your corrections concerning your predecessors living in my country. And I really must visit the Milotice castle to see the "ugly portraits" of your ancestors. It is a good reason to spend a nice week of my vacation in Moravia in some of the coming years.

After I sent you my last letter I realized that I should have wished you and Isabel "Happy Passover" so allow me to do so with some delay. I must admit that before coming to the USA I had no idea about this holiday. And then I was not sure if it is appropriate to wish a Jewish person at this occasion. This time I asked a person about it and she assured me that it is not only appropriate but nearly compulsory. So accept my excuse.

I am glad to see that you are establishing a new Bader's Fellowship, now even at famous Harvard University. I wish I were twenty years younger to compete for these fellowships. I only hope that Czech Universities will be able under the new conditions to produce graduates good enough for these fellowships. My friends from Prague Technical University have really hard time now. Some people in the Czech Republic also complain about the hardship of the real life in this new situation. I agree that the situation is not very good in the sense of standard of living. But who of us could even dream about going abroad to do some postgraduate studies? Who could travel without any restrictions? Who could subscribe any foreign newspapers or magazine? And who could express his or her opinions without any fear? And I hope that the hardship of living is not for ever. It will not be easy but I believe that the next generations will have similar living conditions to those in other more developed countries.

As far as your award for the best paper is concerned, your offer of \$3,000 is very generous and I only hope that it will go to the right person. I would be glad to serve as a peer but I believe that it would be more appropriate to leave the selection to the Czech Chemical Society, especially if you give him your experience with other Chemical Societies.

I am really sorry that I will not be in Prague during your visit to meet you and Isabel. I do not know the schedule of your Prague stay but if you have time to spend an evening with my wife and Tom be sure that they would be really happy. So if your schedule allows this, either let me know or call directly in Prague to my wife (tel. # 4010676). She would be obliged to prepare a dinner for you and she is aware that it should be low-fat and low-cholesterol (and of course not pork).

I hope that we will meet in Prague during your next visit. Besides, I would like to ask you and Isabel to sign me the books about your paintings you have given to us.

With nothing further at this time, I remain

sincerely yours,

Stan

Stan

Dr. Alfred Bader
2961 North Shepard Avenue
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53211

April 28, 1993

Dr. Stanislav Radl
41 Irving Terrace
Bloomfield, New Jersey 07003

Dear Stan,

This time I must answer your thoughtful letter of April 22 more quickly.

When you visit Milotice to look at the Serenyi castle (my mother's maiden name was Elizabeth Maria Countess Serenyi), do try to visit also a very distant relative who lives just a few miles away in Kyov whose maiden name was Vera Bader. It is strange to think that my paternal grandfather was a Jewish merchant in Kyov, and my maternal great-grandfather a count in the castle, without the two ever dreaming that a great-grandson of each would be one and the same person!

I don't remember when I last wished any of our Jewish friends a Happy Passover, but as with all good wishes, it cannot do any harm.

I would very much like to establish this Alfred Bader Award for the best Czech paper published by a Czech organic chemist, but whom should I talk to in Prague to bring this about? Keep in mind that the award should not be limited to Bohemians, but be limited to Bohemians and Moravians.

Isabel and I plan to be in Prague around the 12th--14th of June, and we will certainly call your wife and try to visit her.

What is the exact date of your return to Prague, what you will be doing after that, and will you be returning to Hoffmann-La Roche?

All good wishes.

Sincerely,

5/25
B.R.

Dr. Alfred Bader
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Milwaukee, WI 53211

May 19, 1993

Dear Alfred,

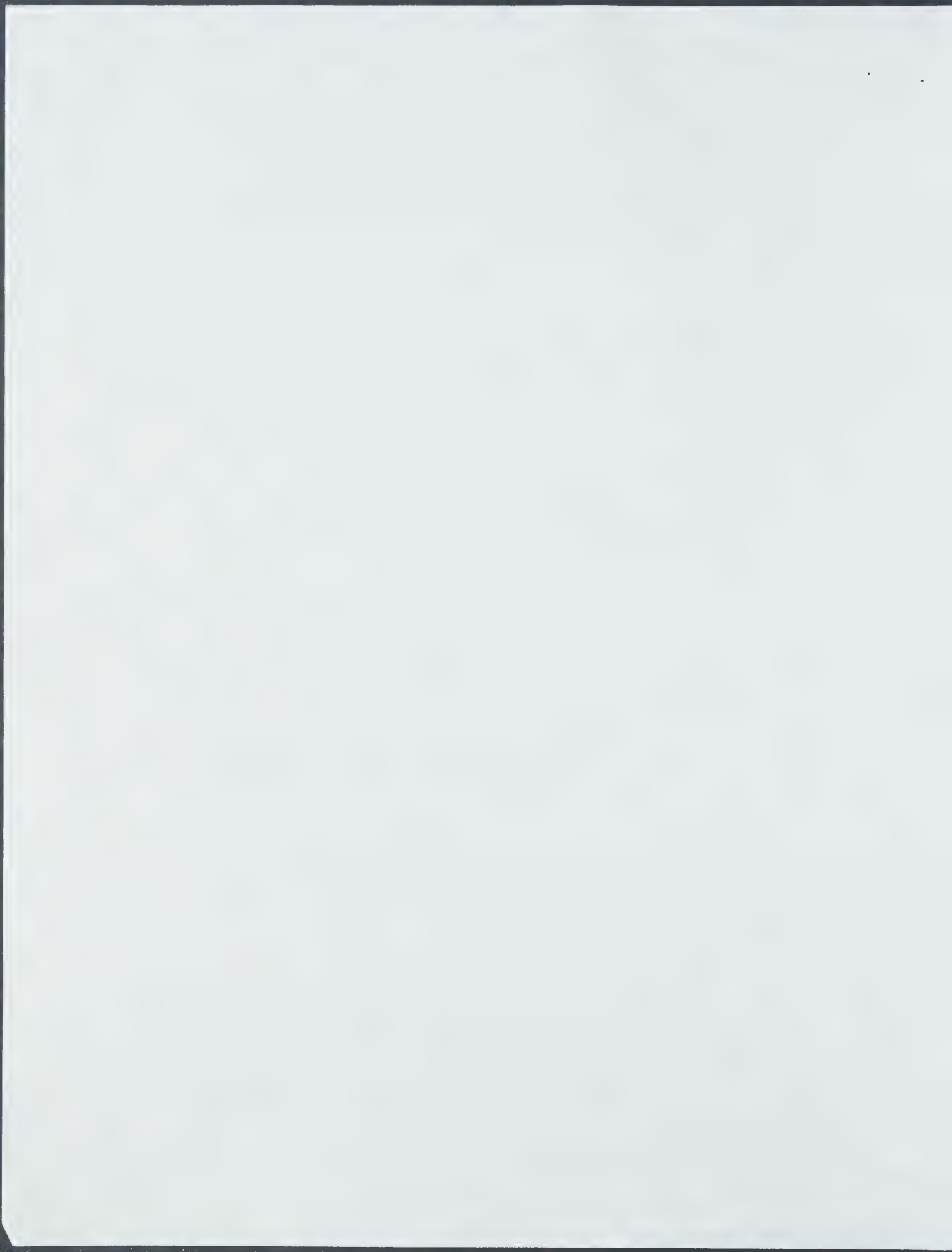
Thank you very much for your kind letter of April 28. Excuse me for the delay but I am very busy these days. My brother is visiting me and so I am trying to show him as much as possible. Since I received an announcement about the Symposium on your honor, we planned our trip to Massachusetts (Plymouth and Boston) for the last weekend which enabled me to attend the event. Or more precisely, part of it because I had to leave earlier having a long drive before me. I enjoyed your lecture very much (as usual), as most people in the auditorium did. I am only sorry that I had not enough time to be there later.

I am glad to see that you are new Bader's Fellowships at the Harvard University are really established. I hope that the science community in the Czech Republic will recognize your great contribution for the future of our chemistry. I browsed the copies of your correspondence dealing mainly with the fellowships you gave me before the lecture. I especially liked your letter answering the question about the possible instability of the Czech Republic. I would appreciate having this copy in my file, if it is possible. X

Regarding your award for the best paper, I consulted several friends from Prague and they mainly advised to wait till the next year. They argue that there will be a substantial change in the Czech Chemical Society (reorganization of the Sections and new elections) during this year. In case you wish to establish the prize this year, the person in charge in the Society is Dr. Paleta from Prague Institute of Chemical Technology, Technicka 5, 166 28 Prague 6. .

As far as my future plans are concerned, I am still an employ of our Research Institute in Prague. The Institute has hard times now but I hope that I will have an opportunity to work there in coming years. The Institute was slimmed substantially from about 800 employees to about 350, many good people (unfortunately many of them scientists) left the Institute. Some of them went abroad and some of them became representatives of various foreign companies which expanded their business in the Czech Republic. During my winter visit of Prague my boss told me that he had enough money for me in his project's budget. I hope that the situation in coming years will be improving. Of course, I am very glad to have opportunity to work at Roche but I have been considering the stay in the US to be temporary and I am looking forward to returning home. For the next two or three years I will not even think about any long-term stay abroad. And if I decide for some other stay abroad in future, it would be definitely with my wife. The time spent without my family was very hard for me, and maybe even harder for them.

I do not like to bother you but I would like to ask you for a favor. A good friend of mine was offered an interesting job by a person who also mentioned your name during their conversation. Since nobody knows the person very well and not all business persons from the West active in the Eastern Europe are reliable, he asked me for some information. I am aware that you cannot tell me that somebody is not a reliable person, but maybe you can tell me if you would recommend your own friend to accept a job in



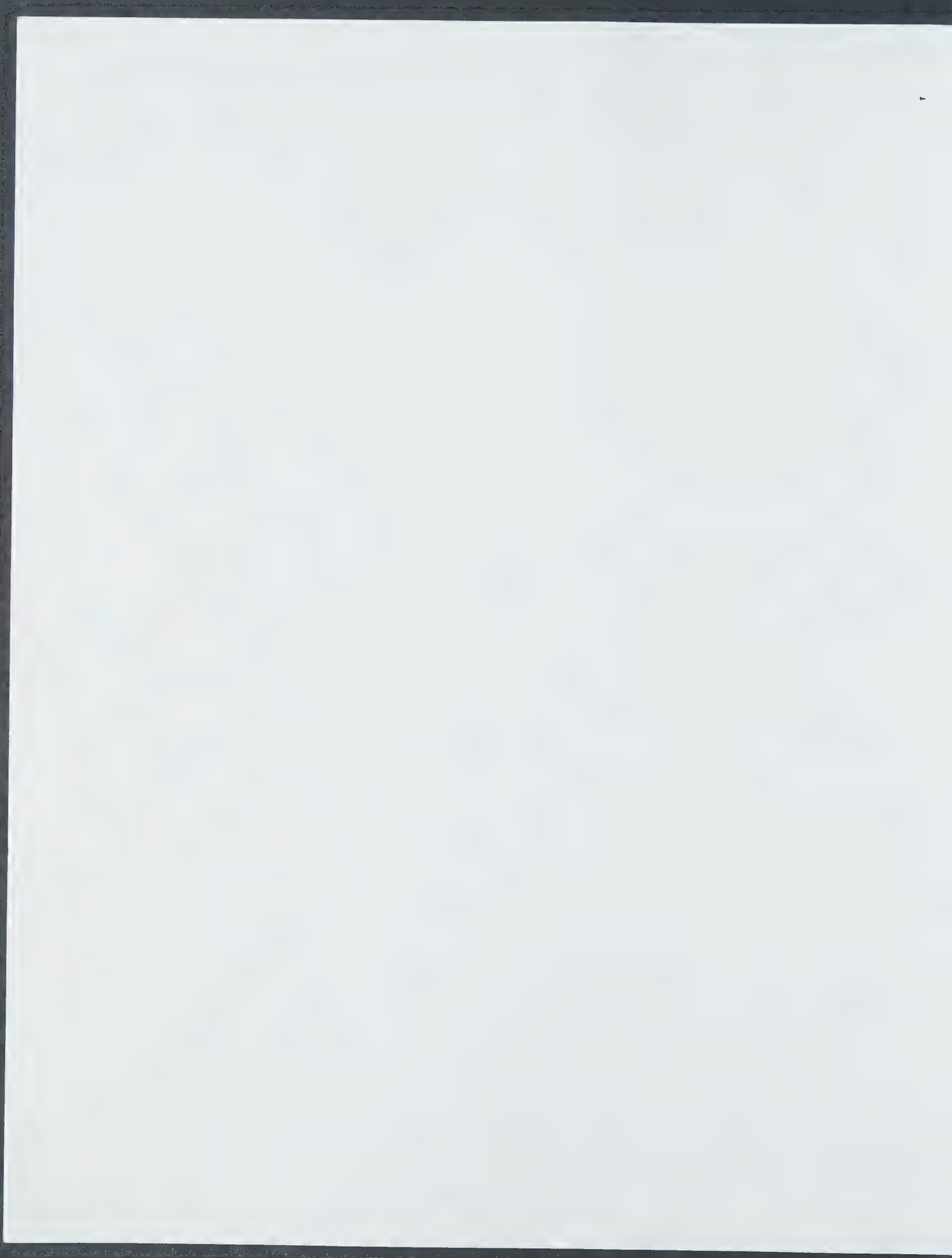
a company owned (or influenced) by the person. Name of the businessman is Dr. Walter Van Herck and he is from Belgium.

I must repeat again that I am really sorry that I will not be able to meet you and Isabel in Prague during your visit. It would be a great time to have more time to spend together than previous years when your business consumed most of your time.

Enjoy your visit to Prague and give my best regards to Isabel.

Yours,


Stan



August 8, 1994

A. Ricci

Dear Alfred:

Thank you very much for your letters of July 13 and 25. I must stress that we all were happy to have you and Isabel here and we are looking forward to your next visit. Excuse my delay in response but I am really busy these days. Just after you left Prague I attended the Blue Danube Symposium on Heterocyclic Chemistry in St. Poelten. It was organized by prof. Sauter and I enjoyed it very much. There were also some social events (visit of the town, trip through the Danube valley, etc.). Then I with my family visited Belgium. I spent one week in Namur in BOSS and then we went to a small town near Ostende where we spent several days. We also visited Bruggs, Ghent, Louvain La Noeve and Brussles. At the Boss meeting in a book exhibition I found an interesting book Organic chemistry-the name game, modern coined terms and their origins by A. Nickon and E.F. Silversmith (Pergamon Press, 1987). The reason why I am mentioning the book is that there is a paragraph dealing with Loschmidt's role in the benzene structure discovery. You probably know it

Regarding the payment for the samples, there is no hurry. The same is true for the next lots of samples. I have just prepared four lots and I will send them during this week via air mail to the address of Alfred Bader Fine Arts as you suggested during your visit. Then I will wait for you report if the form and package is good.

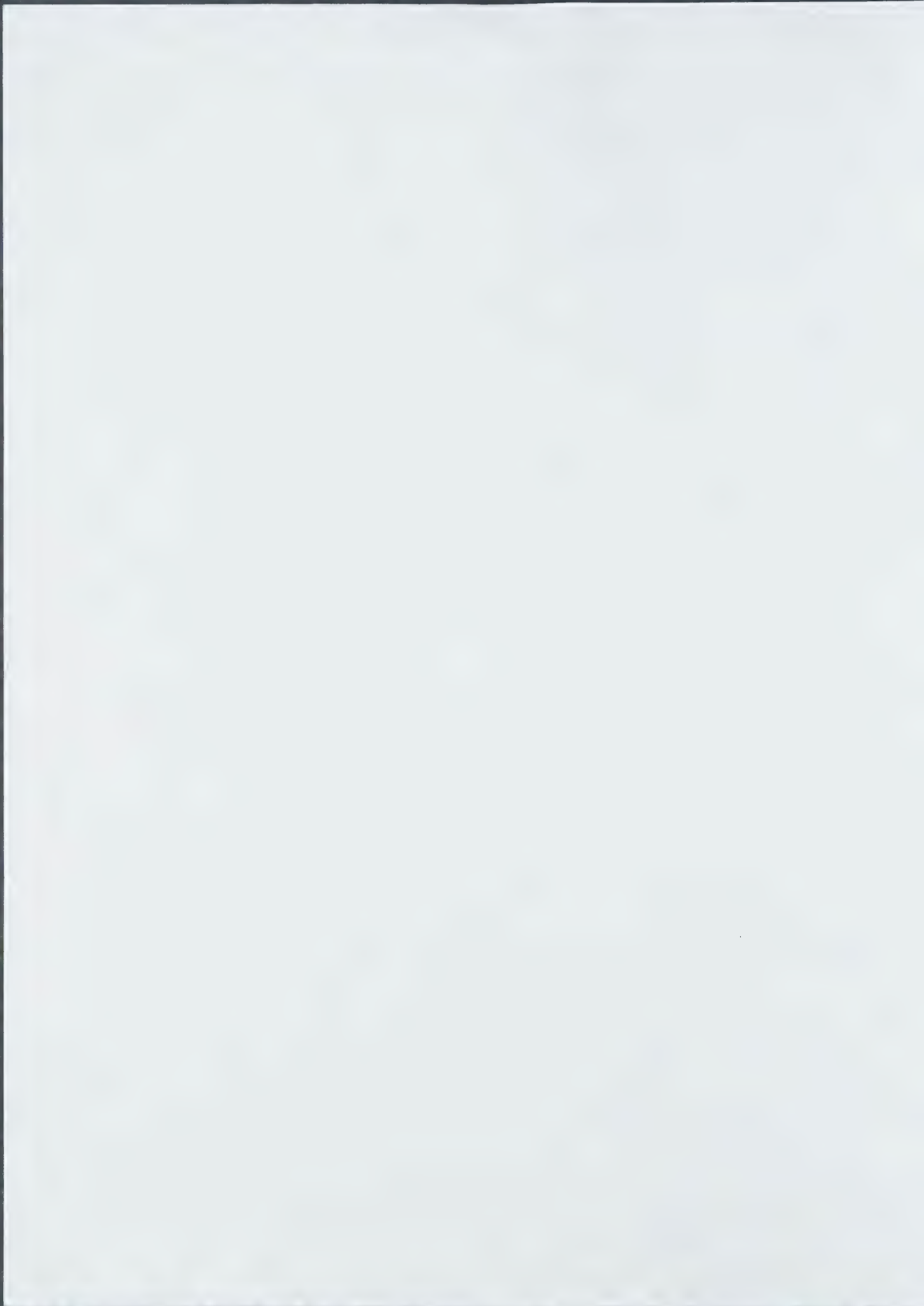
I have no news from here, everything is normal except weather. This July we experienced nearly unbearably hot weather, now the situation is a little bit better but still it is not comfortable. Next week we will go for a week to the mountains and then Tom will again start to go to school (last year of high school).

Give my best regards to Isabel. With nothing further at this time,

sincerely yours,

Glenn Ricci

3/6/94
5/25



Dr. Alfred Bader
2961 North Shepard Avenue
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53211

November 9, 1994

Dr. Stanislav Radl
Pertoldova 3380
143 00 Prague 4
Czech Republic

Dear Stan,

Isabel and I are just leaving for England this afternoon, and I have to thank you for your letter of October 31, just received.

We were in Canada last week when some of your research samples arrived. Marilyn Hassmann, my secretary, routinely turns them over to Bob Wandler.

I am happy to know that Dr. Stary was a suitable recipient for the first Bader award. I have already received a note from him in Geneva, where he is on a sabbatical.

I will be in London visiting Imperial College and the first Czech/Bader fellow, who is now at University College, at the end of November. I will then inquire when the next fellow will be chosen and will let you know.

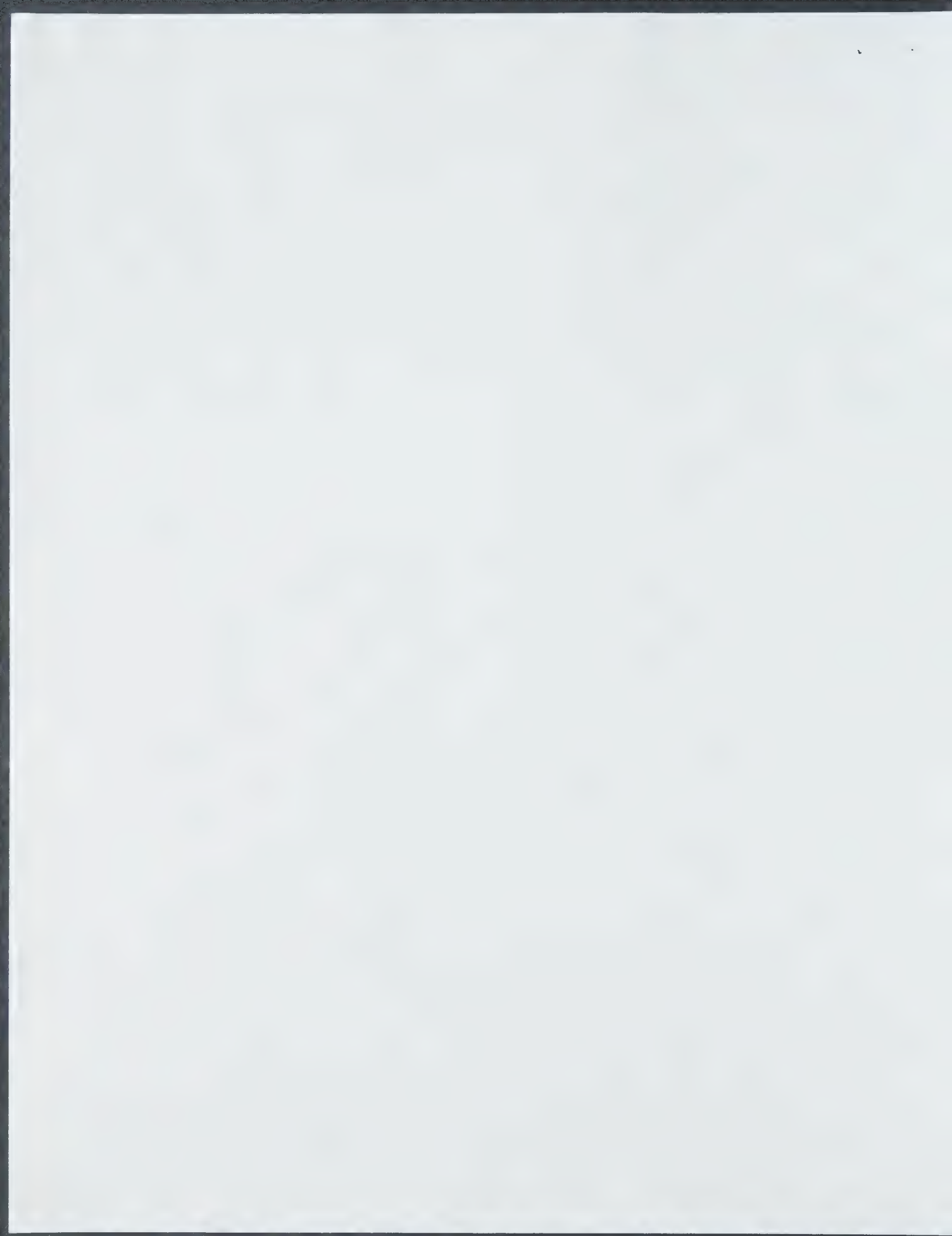
The autobiography is essentially finished, and only proofreading the galleys remains. I enclose copy of the cover. I think that there will be a great many pages of interest to you, and I just don't know which to pick.

Fond regards from house to house.

As always,

Enclosure

(Dictated by Dr. Bader and
signed in his absence)



Dr. Alfred Bader
2961 North Shepard Avenue
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U.S.A.

October 31, 1994

Dear Alfred:

Thank you very much for your brief letter of October 21. I have received another (3rd) check for \$490 (check # 391640). I have also sent the last lot D and I suppose you will receive all of them safely soon.

Last week I attended Conference of the Czech Chemical Society at Liblice castle near Prague. Second day of the meeting was devoted to the Bader award. First, during a ceremony Prof. Paleš, Dr. Drašar and Elisabeth Šulc told short speeches. Professor Zahradník was also announced but not present at last. Professor Paleš emphasized your merit and did not forget to mention his tight collaboration with you in this matter. He also explained the procedure of choosing the recipient. Then Elisabeth shortly summarized all your activities you have done for Czech chemists. At the end of the ceremony Dr. Štary was announced to be the first recipient of your award. Then he offered a toast and small refreshment to all participants. After a short break the program continued by Bader Lecture delivered by Dr. Štary. In my opinion, the lecture dealing with dichotomy in organic chemistry was very good. I spoke with Elisabeth and she told me that she would inform you about the details, therefore I mention only my impressions. I also spoke with Ivo and though I did not encourage him to do so I am sure he will write you a letter of thanks.

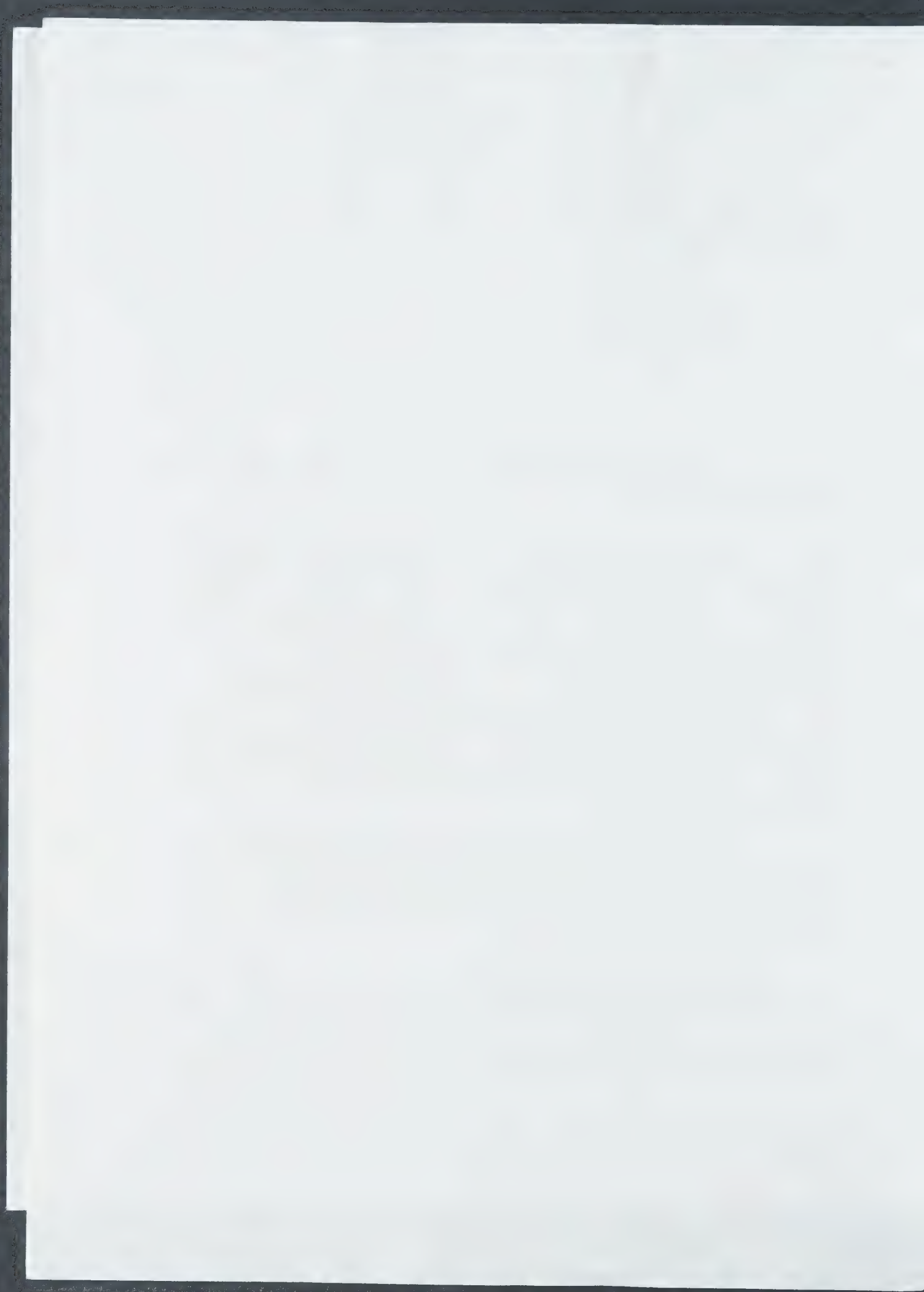
Alfred, please let me know when (year) new student in London Imperial College is expected to be chosen. In Liblice I met a student who will graduate next year. He is seeking a fellowship but from a non-specified personal reasons he is not able to go study outside Europe. I spoke with him quite a long time and he seemed to have good knowledge of organic chemistry.

Have you finished your biography? If it is not secret, I would appreciate receiving a copy of several pages you consider interesting for me.

I hope both you and Isabel are fine and full of energy as usual. With personal regards.

Sincerely,

Liam



Dr. Alfred Bader
2961 North Shepard Avenue
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53211

November 3, 1994

Dr. Stanislav Radl
Pertoldova 3380
143 00 Prague 4
Czech Republic

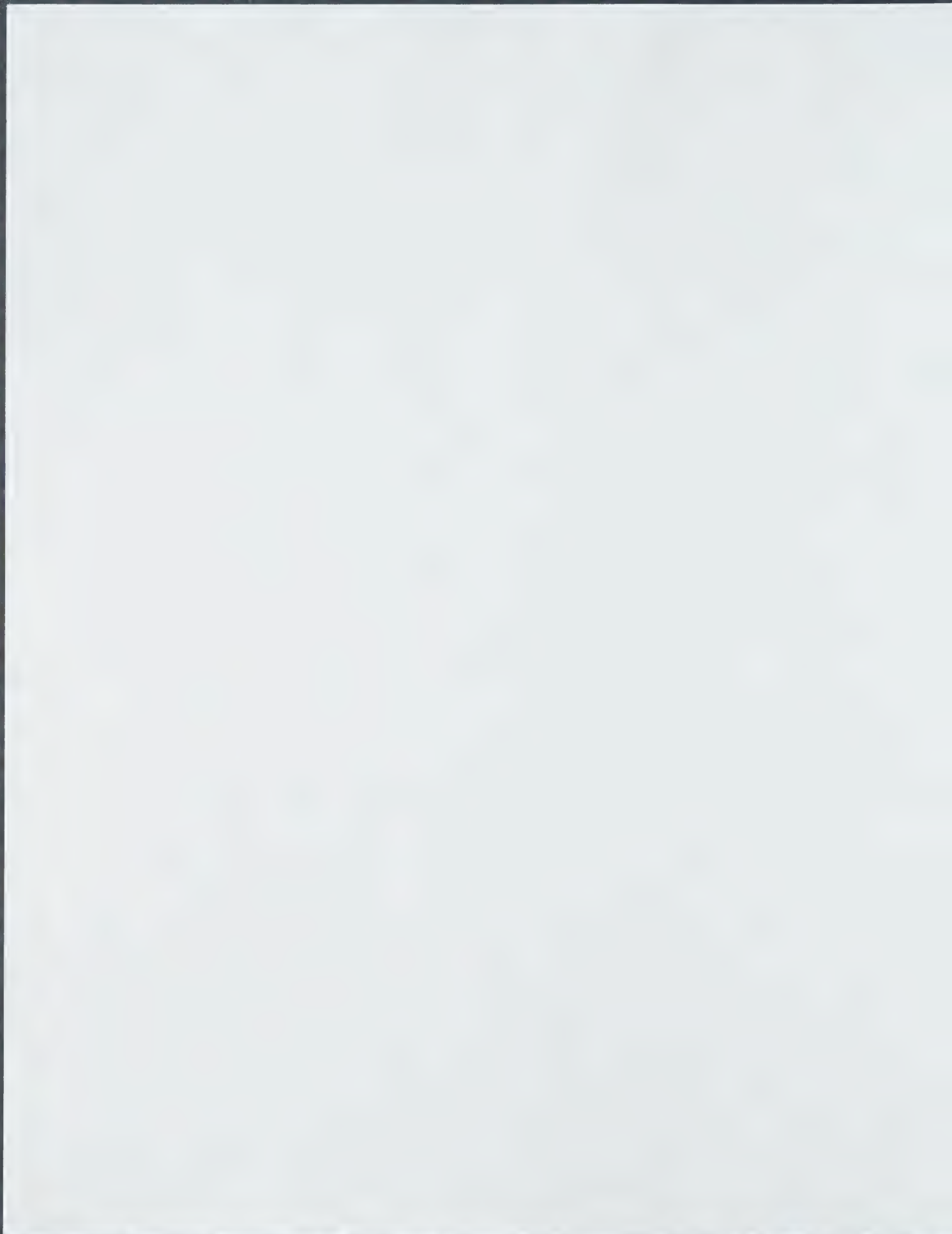
Dear Dr. Radl:

This will acknowledge receipt of Lot D which was mailed from Prague on the 27th of October. Bob Wandler is coming in today to pick up this lot, along with others received earlier this week.

Cordially,

Marilyn Hassmann

c: Mr. Robert Wandler



Dr. Alfred Bader
2961 North Shepard Avenue
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53211

October 31, 1994

Dr. Stanislav Radl
Pertoldova 3380
143 00 Prague 4
Czech Republic

Dear Dr. Radl:

As Dr. Bader is travelling in Canada this week, I would like to acknowledge receipt of two groups of samples which were received today:

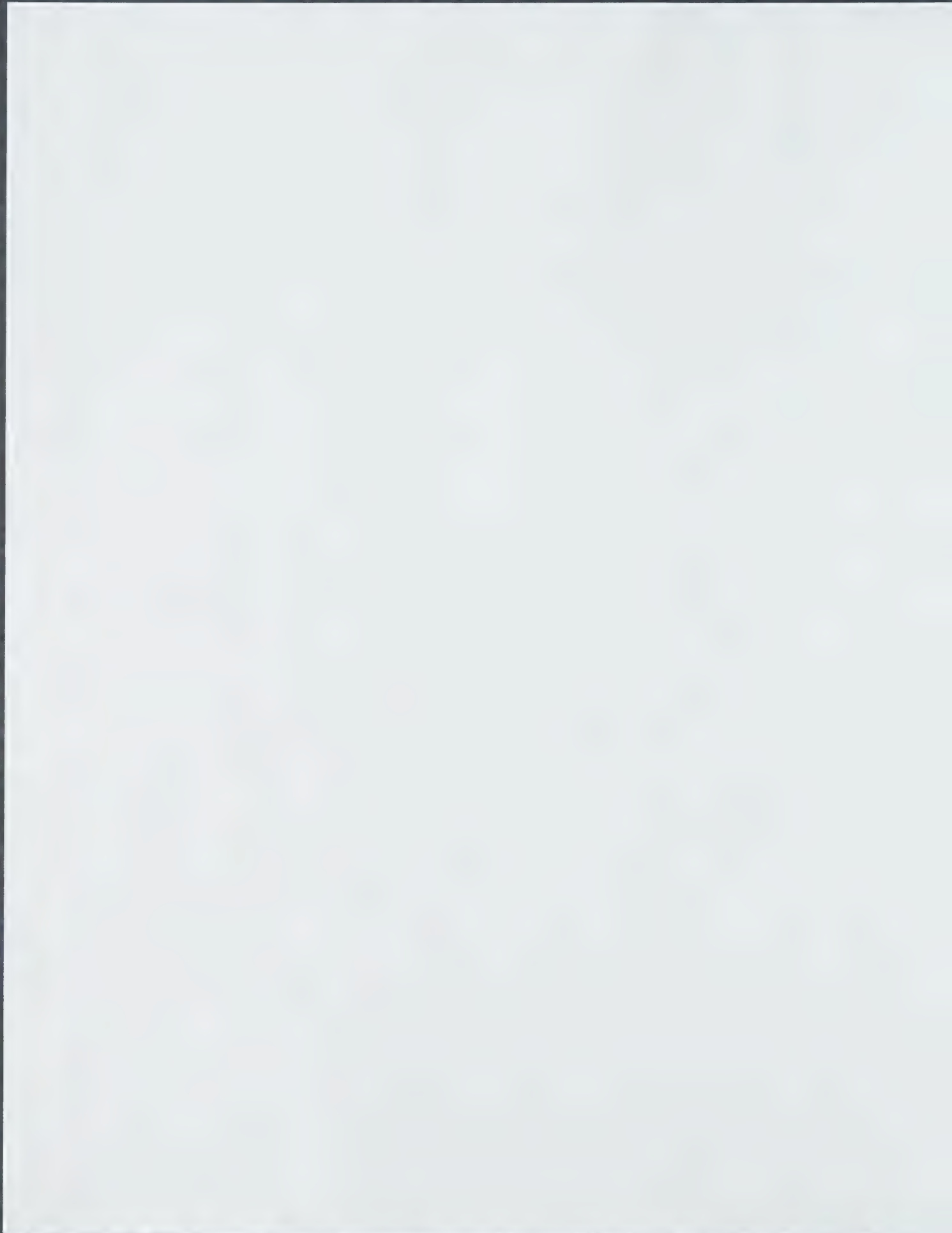
Lot B mailed from Prague on October 20, and
Lot C mailed from Prague on October 24

By copy of this letter I am notifying Bob Wandler that these two lots are here and he can pick them up at his convenience.

Cordially,

Marilyn Hassmann

c: Mr. Robert Wandler



Dr. Alfred Bader
2961 North Shepard Avenue
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53211

October 25, 1994

Dr. Stanislav Radl
Pertoldova 3380
143 00 Prague 4
Czech Republic

Dear Stan,

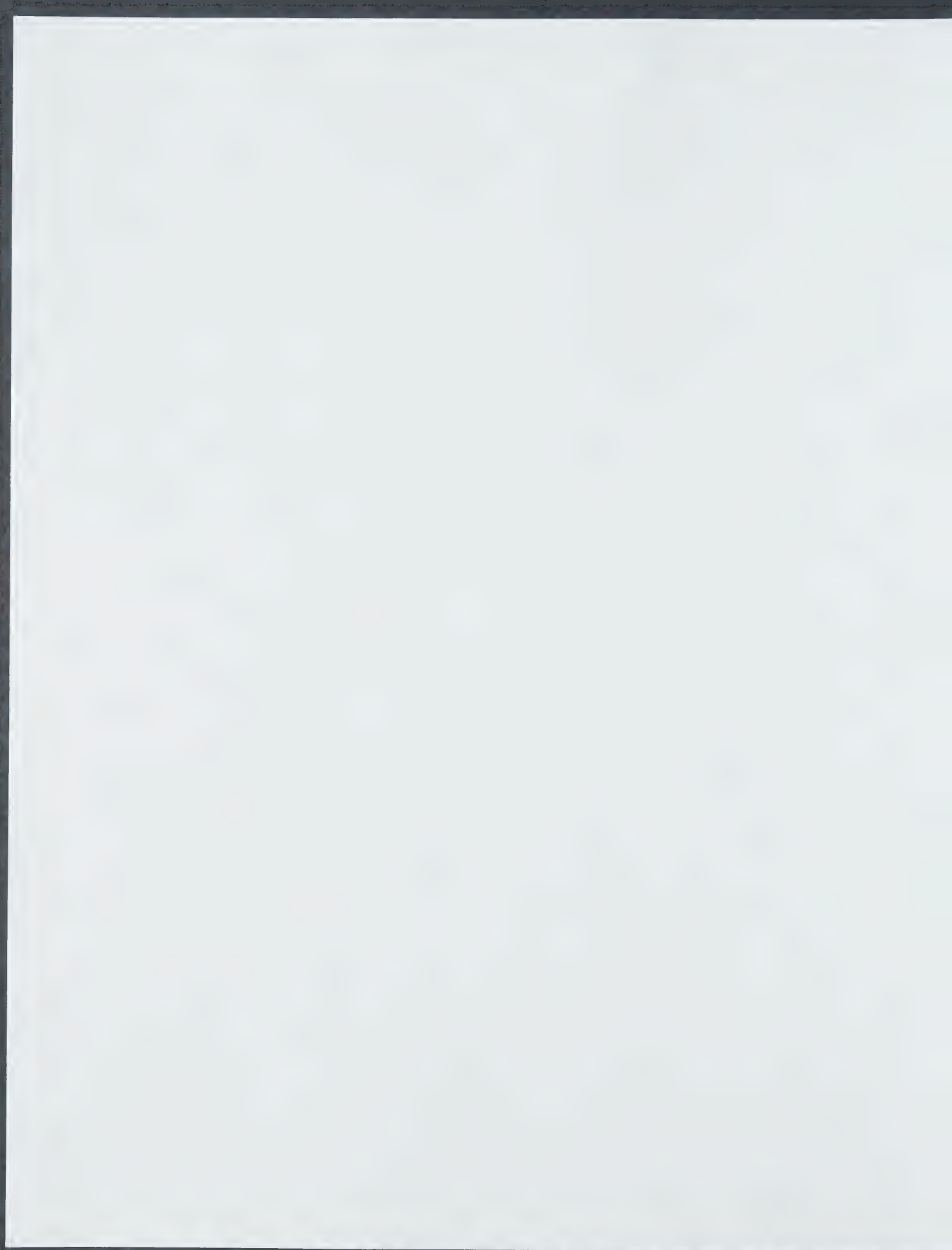
Just a note to tell you that your lot 10 which was mailed on October 18th arrived here safely, and I am turning it over to Bob Wandler.

Isabel and I will be in Canada and Europe between October 30 and Christmas, and so it would be wiser if you would send the next shipments directly to Bob Wandler at Aldrich.

All good wishes.

Sincerely,

c: Mr. Robert Wandler



Dr. Alfred Bader
2961 North Shepard Avenue
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53211

October 21, 1994

Dr. Stanislav Radl
Pertoldova 3380
143 00 Prague 4
Czech Republic

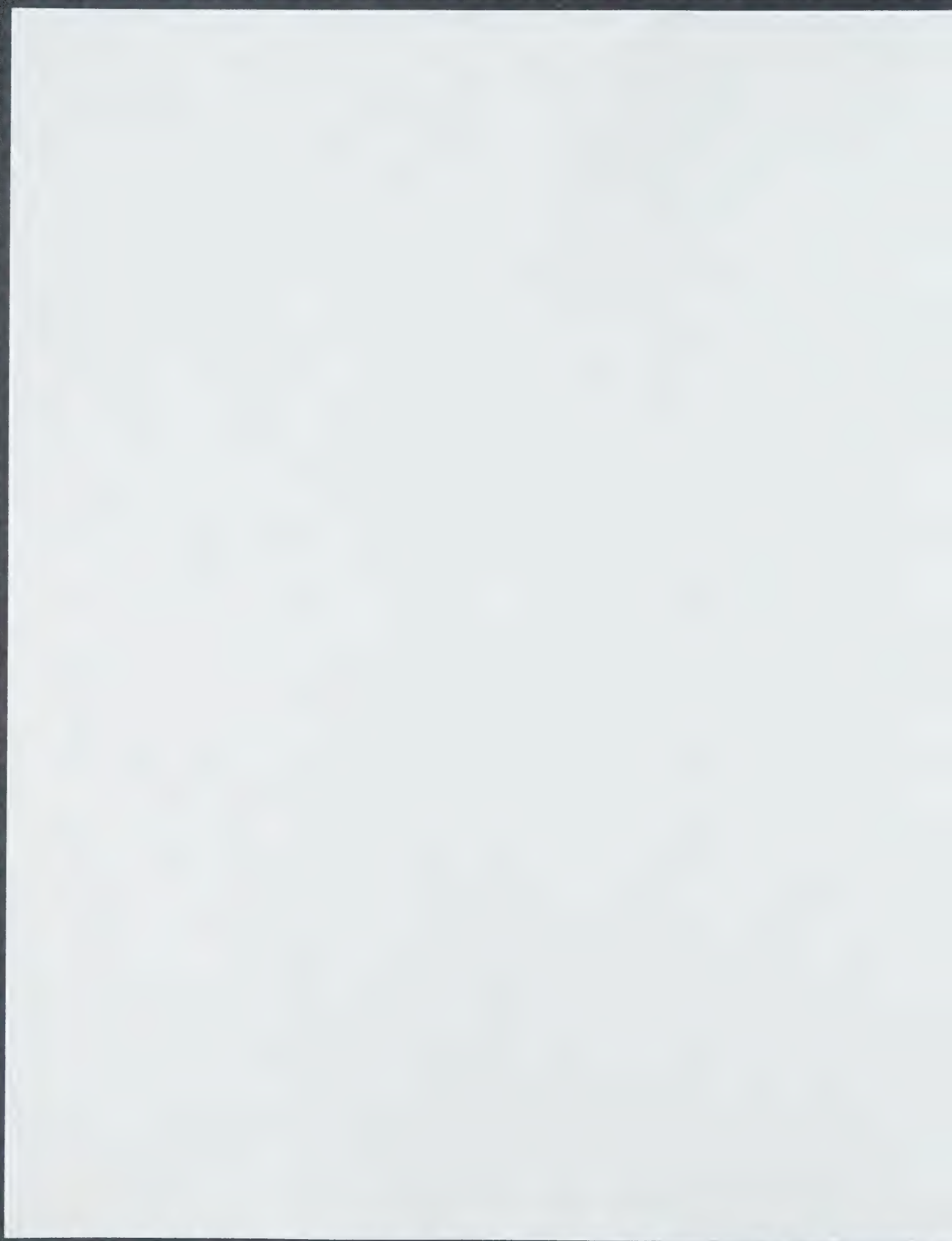
Dear Stan,

Just a note to confirm that I have received today Lot 8 and am turning it over to Bob Wandler.

Best wishes.

As always,

c: Mr. Robert Wandler



Dr. Alfred Bader
2961 North Shepard Avenue
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53211

October 19, 1994

Dr. Stanislav Radl
Pertoldova 3380
143 00 Prague 4
Czech Republic

Dear Stan,

Thank you so much for your letter of October 11.

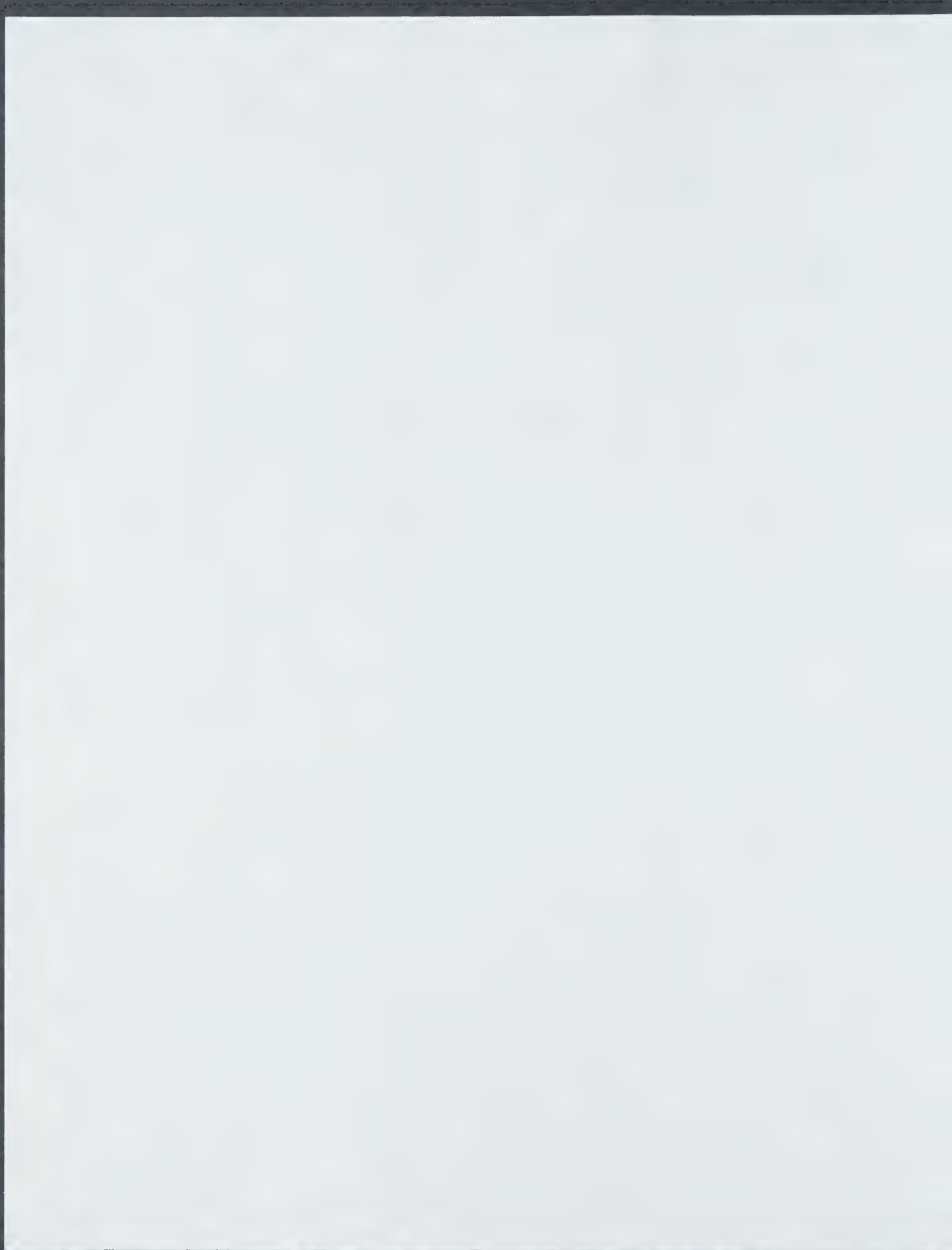
I am happy to know that Dr. Stary is both a good chemist and what I would consider a good human being.

Yesterday I received Lot A which was mailed on October 11, and Lot 9 which was mailed on October 9, and I am turning them over to Bob Wandler immediately.

All good wishes from house to house.

Sincerely,

c: Mr. Robert Wandler



Dr. Alfred Bader
2961 North Shepard Avenue
Milwaukee, WI 53211
U.S.A.

October 11, 1994

Dear Alfred:

Thank you very much for your letters of September 20 and October 4. I feel a little bit guilty for the delay but I am now really busy.

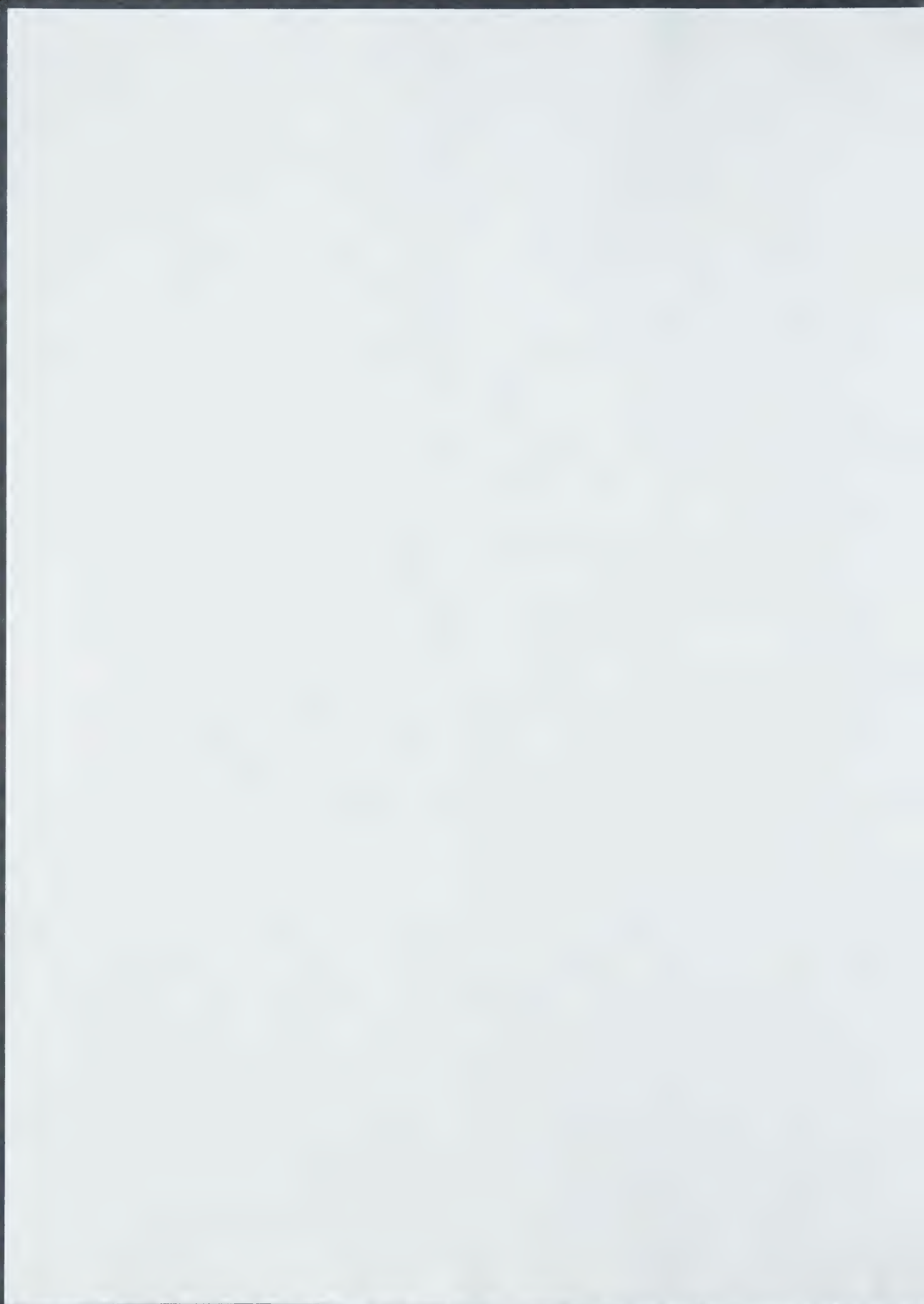
It is good to hear that the first 4 lots came duly to you. You have probably divided the samples into 6 smaller lots. I have already received 2 checks, for \$420 (check # 390530) and \$490 (check # 390653). Since the sum is altogether \$ 910, I suppose that it is for lots 3 and 4. Meantime I have prepared all my samples (designed as lots 5 - 10 and lots A-D), four of them I have already sent. The rest of them I am supposed to send in about two weeks. Of course all compounds Aldrich do have in its catalogues will not be paid for.

Regarding Dr. Ivo Stary, I know him quite well. He has been working on steroids for many years and he is quite good at it. His PhD mentor was Dr. Kocovsky. You must remember him, it is the guy who asked you for money for his own research instead of giving them for a scholarship. In spite of this coincidence, I believe that Dr. Stary is a good human being in sense you usually use this phrase. He is a little bit shy, he is very good at classical music. He even leads a small group of musicians and this group usually gives a concert during the annual conference of the Czech Chemical Society in Liblice.

Keep in touch, I'll write more soon.

Sincerely,

Igor Fackl



Dr. Alfred Bader
2961 North Shepard Avenue
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53211

October 7, 1994

Dr. Stanislav Radl
Pertoldova 3380
143 00 Prague 4
Czech Republic

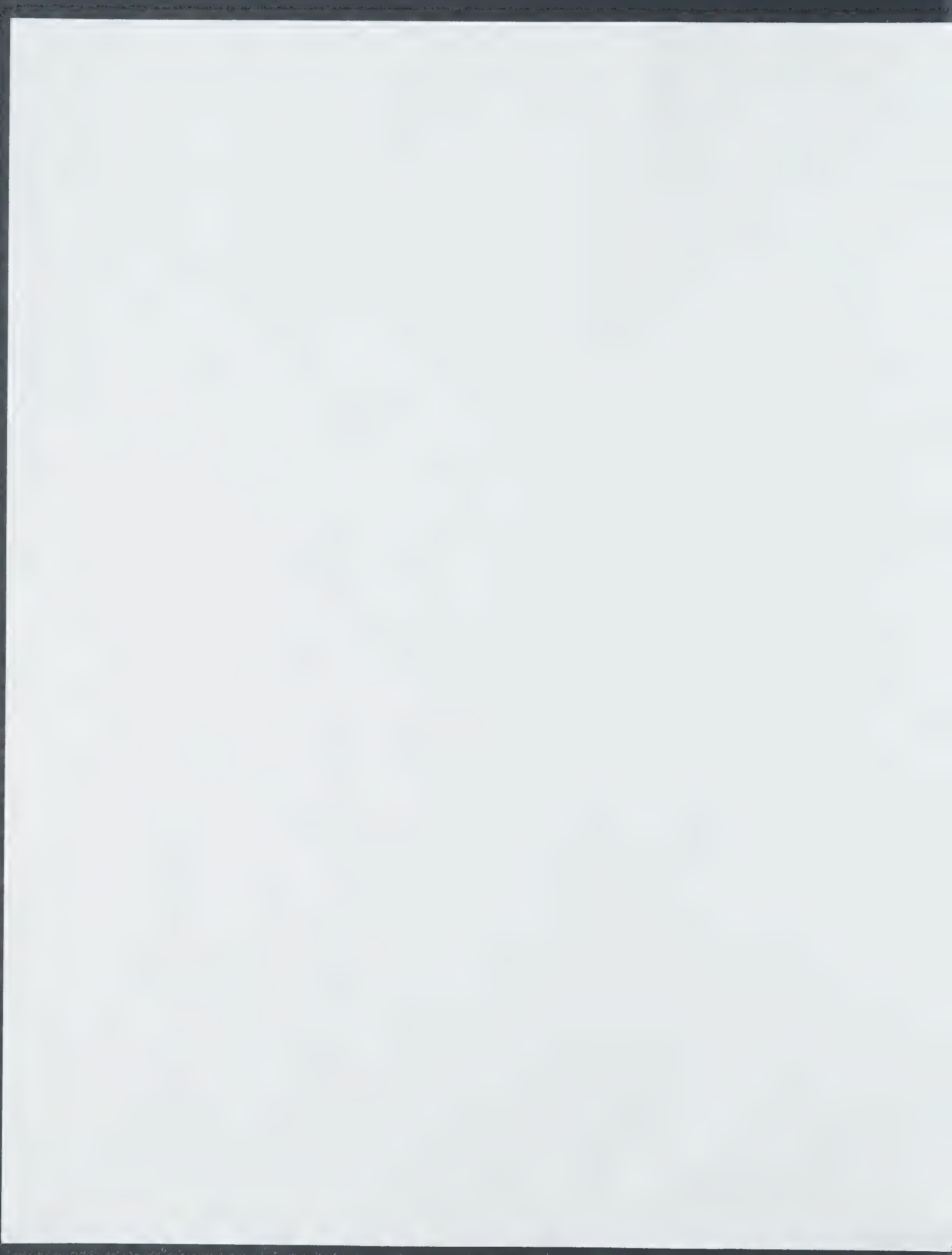
Dear Stan,

Just a note to tell you that I have received Lots 5
and 7 and will give them to Bob Wandler on Tuesday.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

C: Mr. Robert Wandler



Dr. Alfred Bader
2961 North Shepard Avenue
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53211

October 4, 1994

Dr. Stanislav Radl
Pertoldova 3380
143 00 Prague 4
Czech Republic

Dear Stan,

Just a note to tell you that I have today received shipment No. 6.

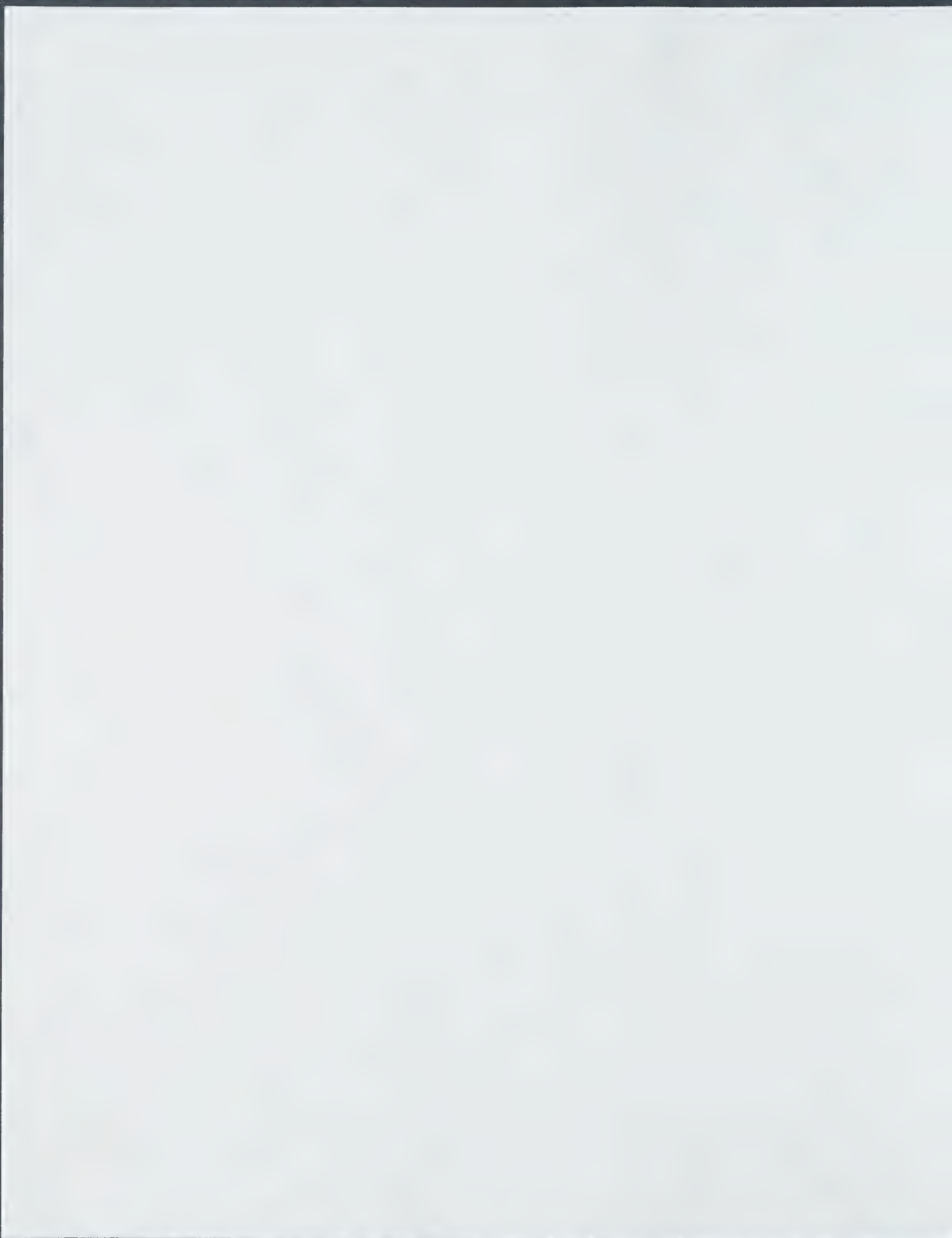
I haven't opened all the polythene bags, but it looks like 20 samples, all of very interesting heterocyclics.

I am turning them over to Bob Wandler today, and he will check to ascertain that they are all new.

All good wishes from house to house.

Sincerely,

c: Mr. Robert Wandler



Dr. Alfred Bader
2961 North Shepard Avenue
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53211

September 20, 1994

Dr. Stanislav Radl
Pertoldova 3380
143 00 Prague 4
Czech Republic

Dear Stan,

Bob Wandler, the manager of the Library, has confirmed that he has received your first six shipments and has sent you checks for \$250 for Lot 1, \$525 for Lot 2, \$910 for Lots 3 and 4, \$385 each for Lots 5 and 6.

Bob told me that of the last lot of 11 compounds, six are listed in the Aldrich catalog. I am sure that you will send six replacements of unlisted compounds to make up for them.

Also, I have asked Bob to send a copy of that very beautiful new Library catalog to you, of course at no charge.

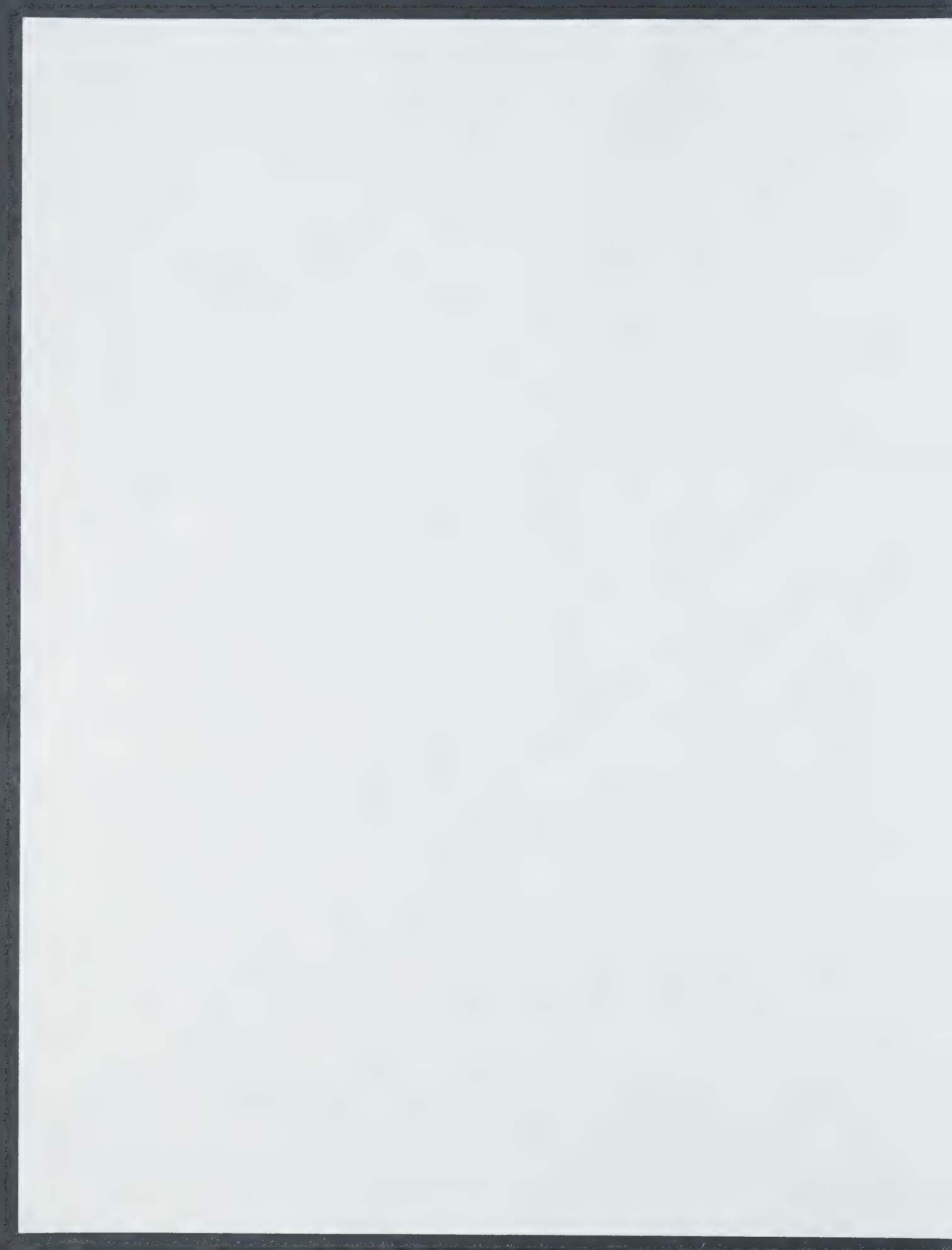
Please let me know only if, perchance, you did not receive the five payments for the six lots.

I have noted that the first Czech chemist has won the Alfred Bader Prize. He is Dr. Ivo Stary at the Czech Academy. Do you know him, or do you at least know his work? What do you think?

All good wishes.

Sincerely,

c: Mr. Robert Wandler



Dr. Alfred Bader
2961 North Shepard Avenue
Milwaukee, WI 53211
U.S.A.

August 15, 1994

*C: RLD
4 lots rec'd*

Dear Alfred:

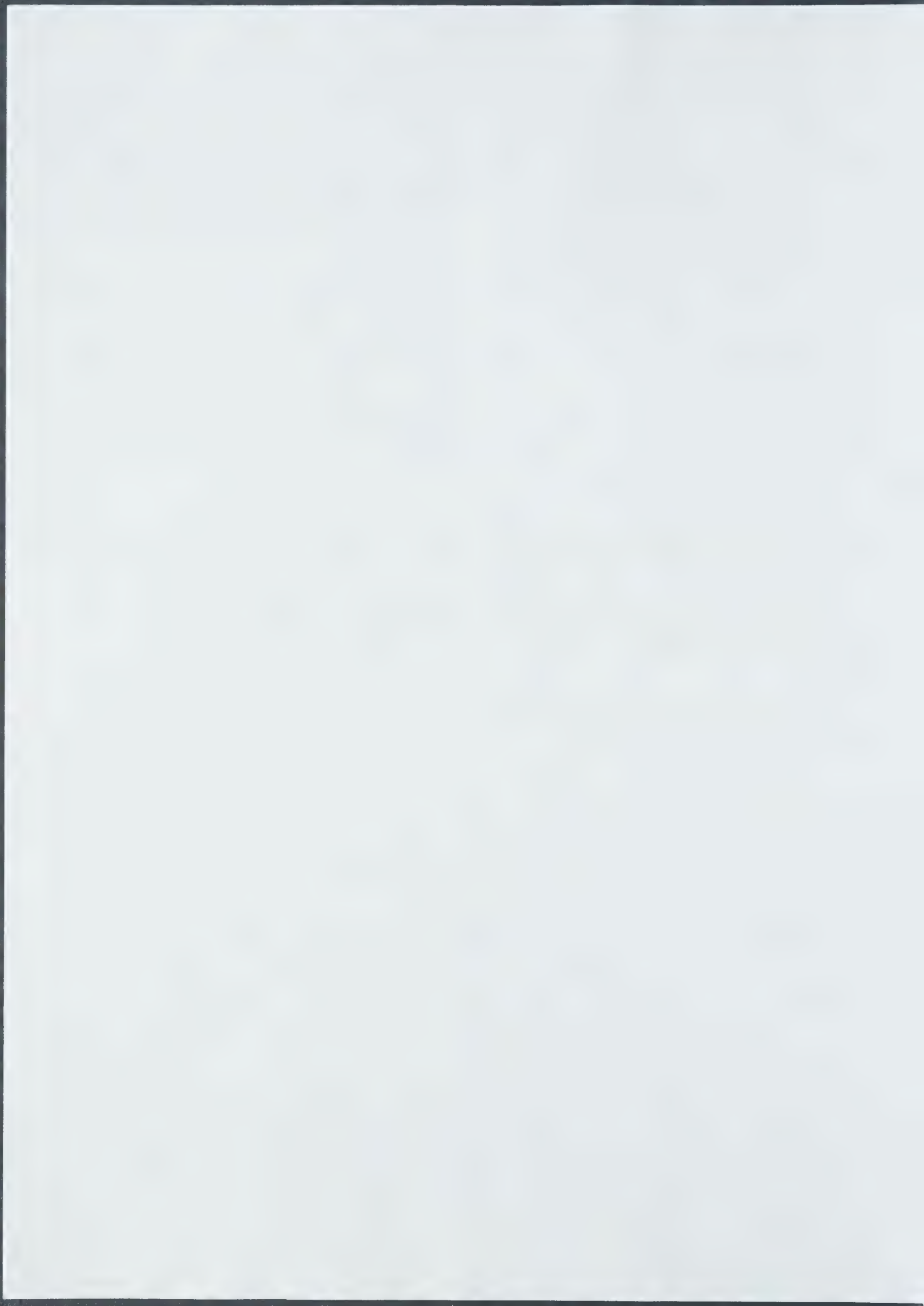
This is only to say that I have already sent four lots of samples to you. I hope that you will receive them soon.

Yesterday I also received from my landlady from Bloomfield the check for samples you took with you from Prague. Please let me know if I can process it or I should wait for a new check from Aldrich.

Best personal regards to you and Isabel.

Sincerely,

[Faint signature]



November 21, 1994

Dear Alfred,

Thank you very much for your first letter of November 9. I hope that this letter meets you in England.

Ms. Hassmann let me know that the last batch of samples had arrived. I have also received another check.

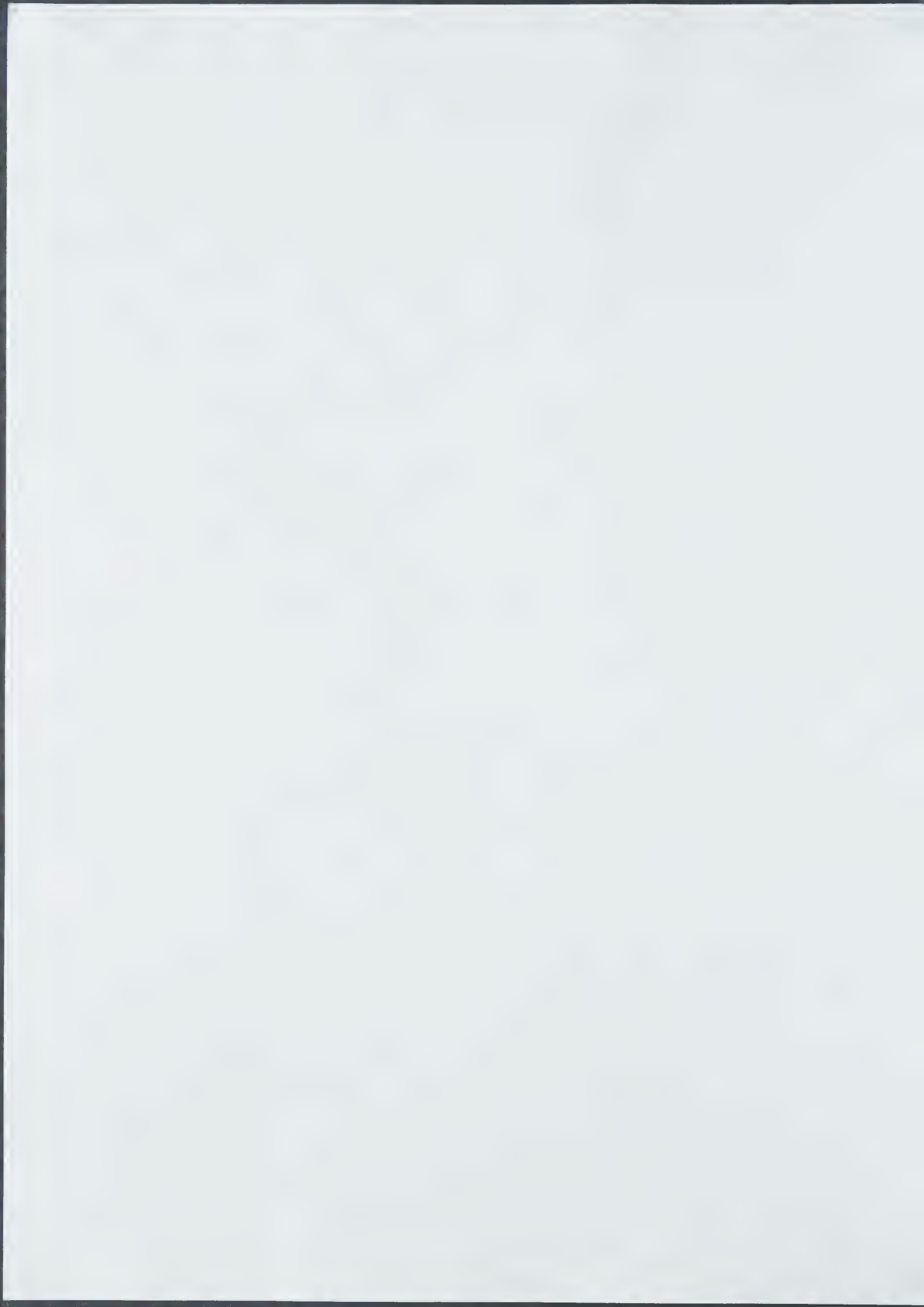
I am glad to hear that your biography is finished. I like the cover design and I can imagine it in color. In fact, the Alchemist which you chose for the cover is one of my favorite pictures from your collection (of course from the limited amount I know from your prints).

Enclosed you find a copy of the first page of my article in *Advances in Heterocyclic Chemistry*. I have dedicated it to you on the occasion of your 70th birthday. Unfortunately the publication has been a little bit delayed.

I wish you nice time in England

Best wishes,

John Powell



March 20, 1995

Dr. Stanislav Radl
Pertoldova 3380
143 00 Prague 4
Czech Republic

Dear Stan:

I am sorry to note that I have not replied to your informative letter of January 17th, but unfortunately, my very good secretary of many years had a serious stomach operation and then suffered a stroke which completely paralyzed her right side.

You will be able to imagine what this does to a team of two.

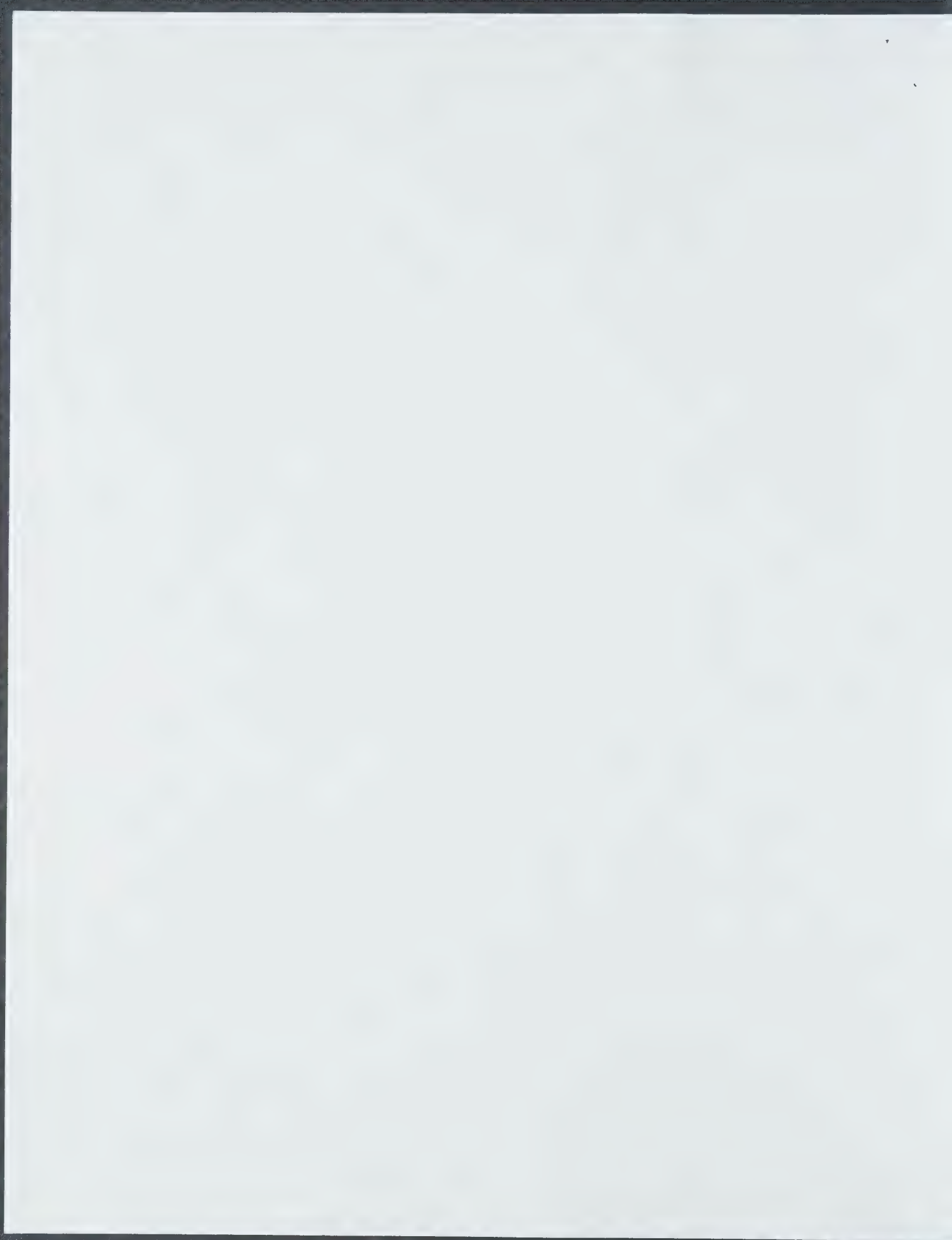
Isabel and I look forward to being in Prague, albeit only quite briefly, namely from the 19th to the 21st of June. It will have to be so short because there is a special festivity at Herstmonceux Castle on June 17th, and I have to speak in Brno on June 22nd and then in Vienna twice for the Loschmidt Symposium.

Despite the shortness of time, we very much hope to be able to spend at least a little time with you and your family.

With all good wishes, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

AB/cw



Dr. Alfred Bader
2961 North Shepard Avenue
Milwaukee, WI 53211
U.S.A.

Czech trip file
with reply

January 17, 1995

Dear Alfred:

Thank you very much for your letter of December 22 which was sent from England. I passed your information about the Bader fellowship in London to a prospective applicant who is, in my opinion, also very good. Not knowing the other applicants, it is difficult to evaluate his chance to get the fellowship. Nevertheless, I have some experience with fresh graduates from the Czech Universities and I am sure that this man is fairly good at science and also a very modest person.

Yesterday I received a letter from a friend of yours Ira Kukin. His company is becoming involved in the Czech Republic and is seeking a manager of its Prague office. I am afraid I do not know such a person. From a non-specified reason he asked me for my resume. I will answer the letter within a few days.

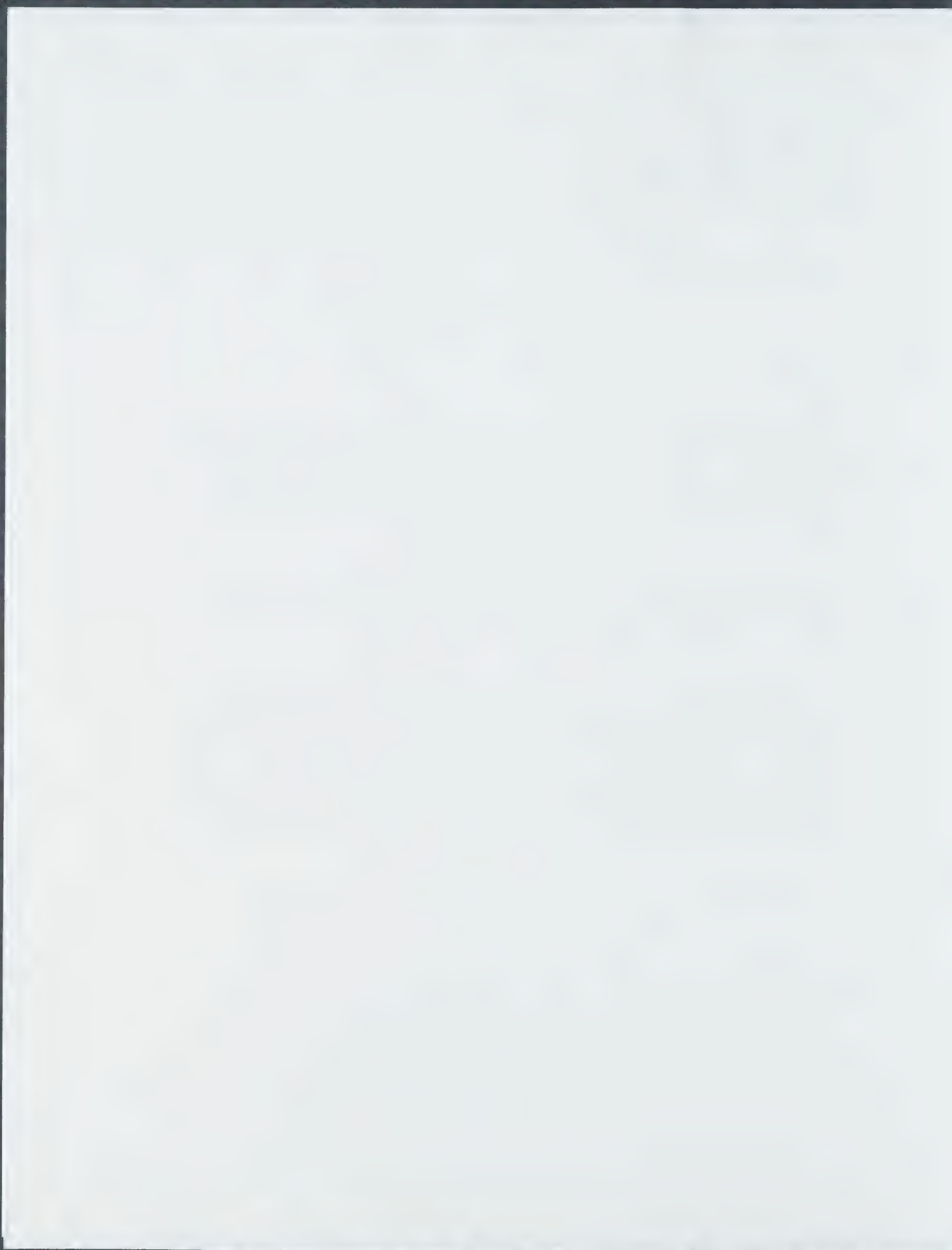
We all are relatively OK. Majka is a little bit too busy at her job and I am not quite sure if the job is suitable for her. Tom will graduate from the high school this year. He would like to study Computer Science at the University. It is a great hobby of his and I suppose that he is good at it. I have received a financial support for this year for my present project on analgesics from Leciva (a Czech pharmaceutical company). I have just finish a chapter for Comprehensive Heterocyclic Chemistry and for some time I will enjoy the fact of not being so busy as I have been during the last several months. From the beginning of this year I am also a member of the Czech Chemical Society.

With personal regards.

Sincerely,

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Stan RADL



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April 9, 1995

Dear Alfred:

Thank you very much for your letter of March 17. There is no need to apologize for the delay. I understand that you are still very active and often out of your home.

I am very sorry to hear about your secretary who, as I understand, has been a longtime secretary of yours. I hope that her situation is stabilized and has a possibility for an improvement.

I am looking forward to meeting you and Isabel. Unfortunately your visit in Prague is rather limited this year but I still hope you will find some time to spend with us. I know that you are interested in various aspects of our present situation, I am sure we have many topics for discussion. Since we plan to spend a week or so in England this summer I would also like to discuss with you some aspects of English reality. I suppose that you can advise me some places of interest, the preferable means of transportation etc. Especially your tips for a cheap accommodation would be welcome.

You also mentioned your involvement in Loschmidt Symposium in Vienna and I am sure that it will be a very important event for you. I know about your intention to sponsor some Czech students' visit there but I do not know if the idea came true or not.

Situation at our Institute is still the same as last year. More than 70% of our shares are held by State and no investor would like to invest in it. As far as I know, the situation in VUOS is quite similar. Just recently I have been told that Hoffmann-La Roche has liquidated the Institute of Molecular Biology in Nutley. After finishing this letter I will write a letter to my colleagues at ILLR to ask about it and other news from there.

If there is anything that I can do to help you, please let me know.

With personal regards,

Sincerely,

Stefan BADER

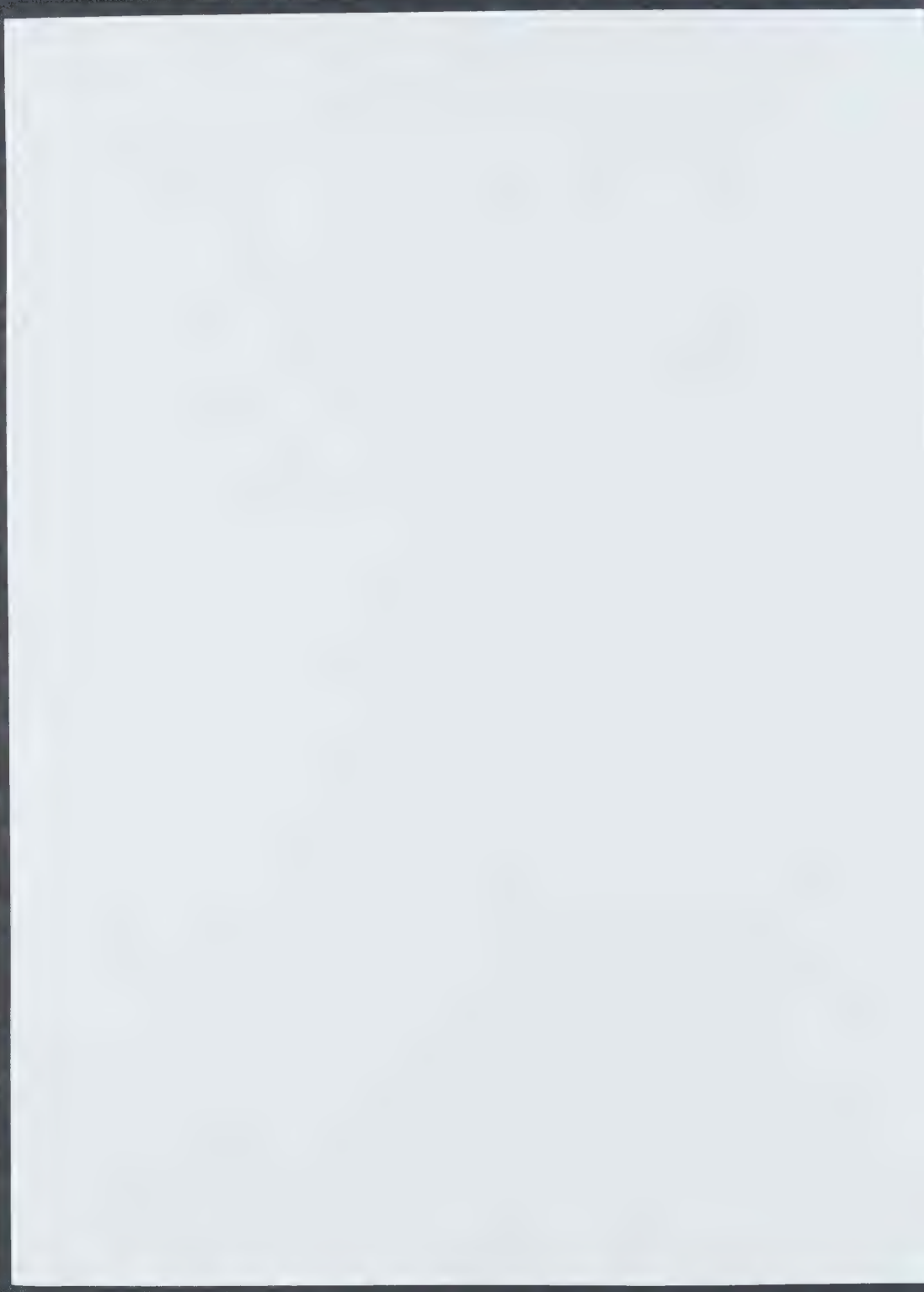


Mono- and Diazaquinones¹

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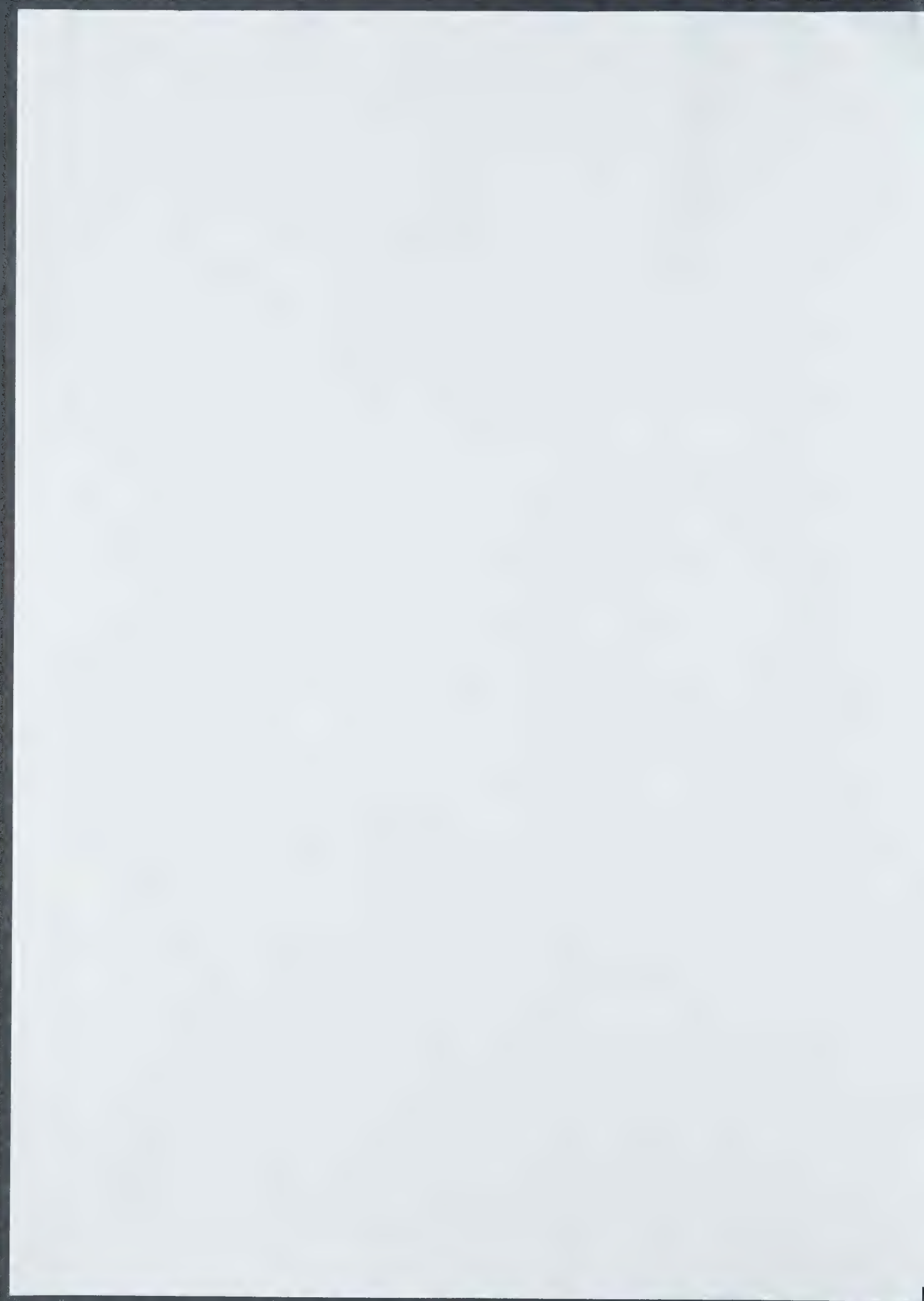
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I am looking forward to your reply. Please, ask Bob Wandler for the printouts. Give my best regards to Isabel. I will write you more in a month after the Liblice conference.

With personal regards.

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A Chemist Helping Chemists

February 3, 1997

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Dear Stan:

Bob Wandler was very happy with your collections and I hope that you will have received the three separate checks.

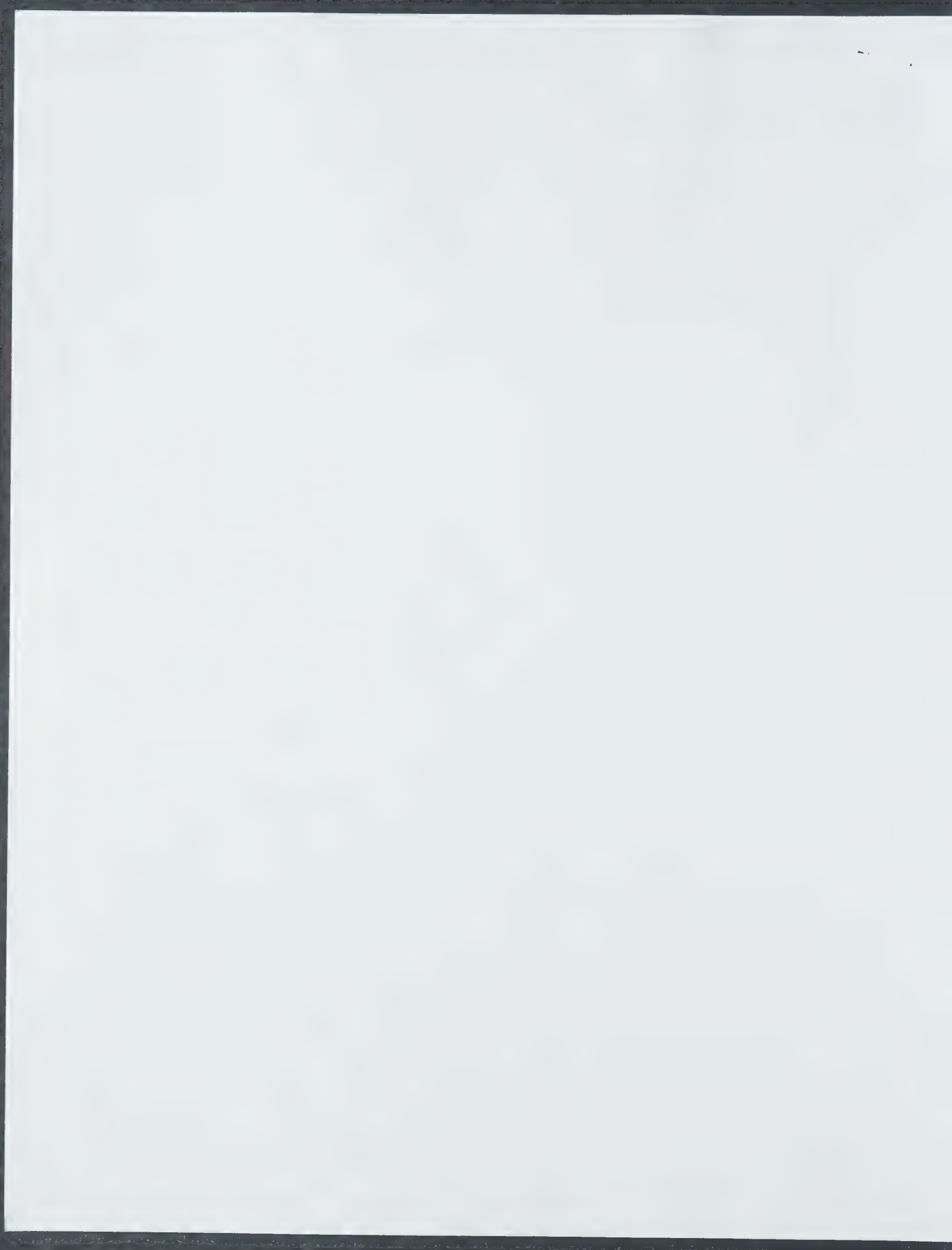
Enclosed, please find Dr. Pavel Drasar's response to my complaint that the chemist winning this year's Bader Award was not an organic chemist.

When I received that I didn't know whether to laugh or cry.

Dr. Drasar was a devoted Communist, active in the Party. He is an able, likeable, and very pushy fellow and what he is saying is in the language that he learned in the Communist Party apparatus.

No matter how thin you slice it, there isn't any way that Dr. Havlicek can be called an organic chemist. He is undoubtedly a very able man and he could be classified as a chemist applying mass spectroscopy to peptide structures. This is important work but I don't think that he is really an organic chemist.

I just wish that Dr. Drasar didn't write such drivel.



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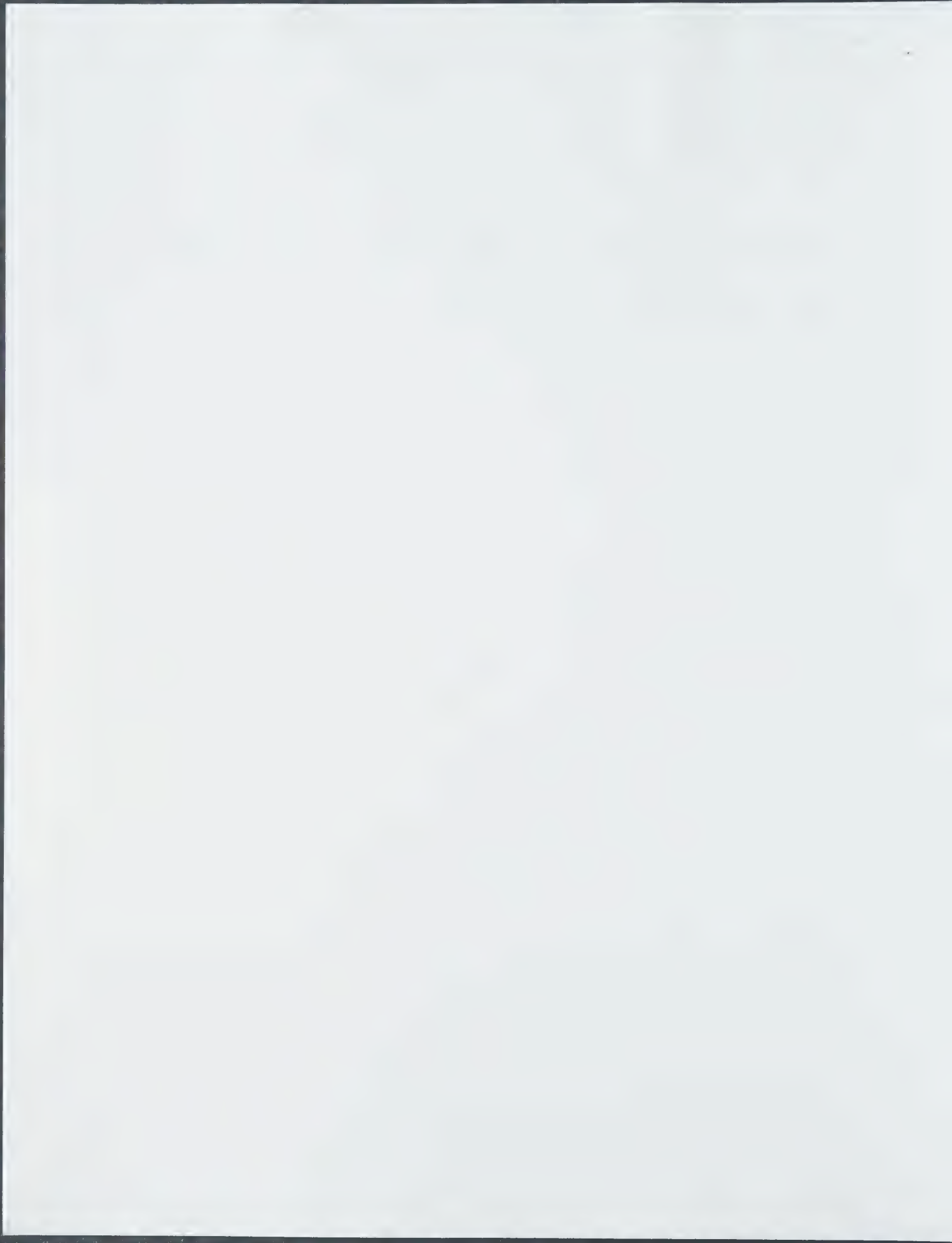
Could I impose on you to talk to a few organic chemists whom you know, and ask them very informally how they would classify Dr. Havlicek.

With fond regards from house to house, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

AB/nik

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THE FOUNDATION FOR A CIVIL SOCIETY

FAX MESSAGE

To: Dr. Alfred Bader cc: Wendy Luers
From: Hannah Evans *HE* 2 pages
Date: 27 January 1997 fax: 414-277-0709

*To
Dr Stan Rode*

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Dear Alfred,

Thank you for your fax of 22 January; I also received a message that you called on Friday to follow up -- sorry that I was not here to take your call.

I am not going to write in detail about all of our current Bader initiatives, since I have briefed Wendy and she will have all of the background pieces of paper and information to discuss with you when you are in New York on Wednesday. Questions which I believe you would like to review include the Chemistry award, the Art History award and small grants to Jewish organizations, the Tolerance Foundation and Roma (Gypsy) organizations.

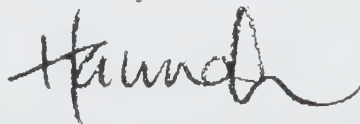
At this point, therefore, I will only respond to the two points you raise in your fax of 22 January.

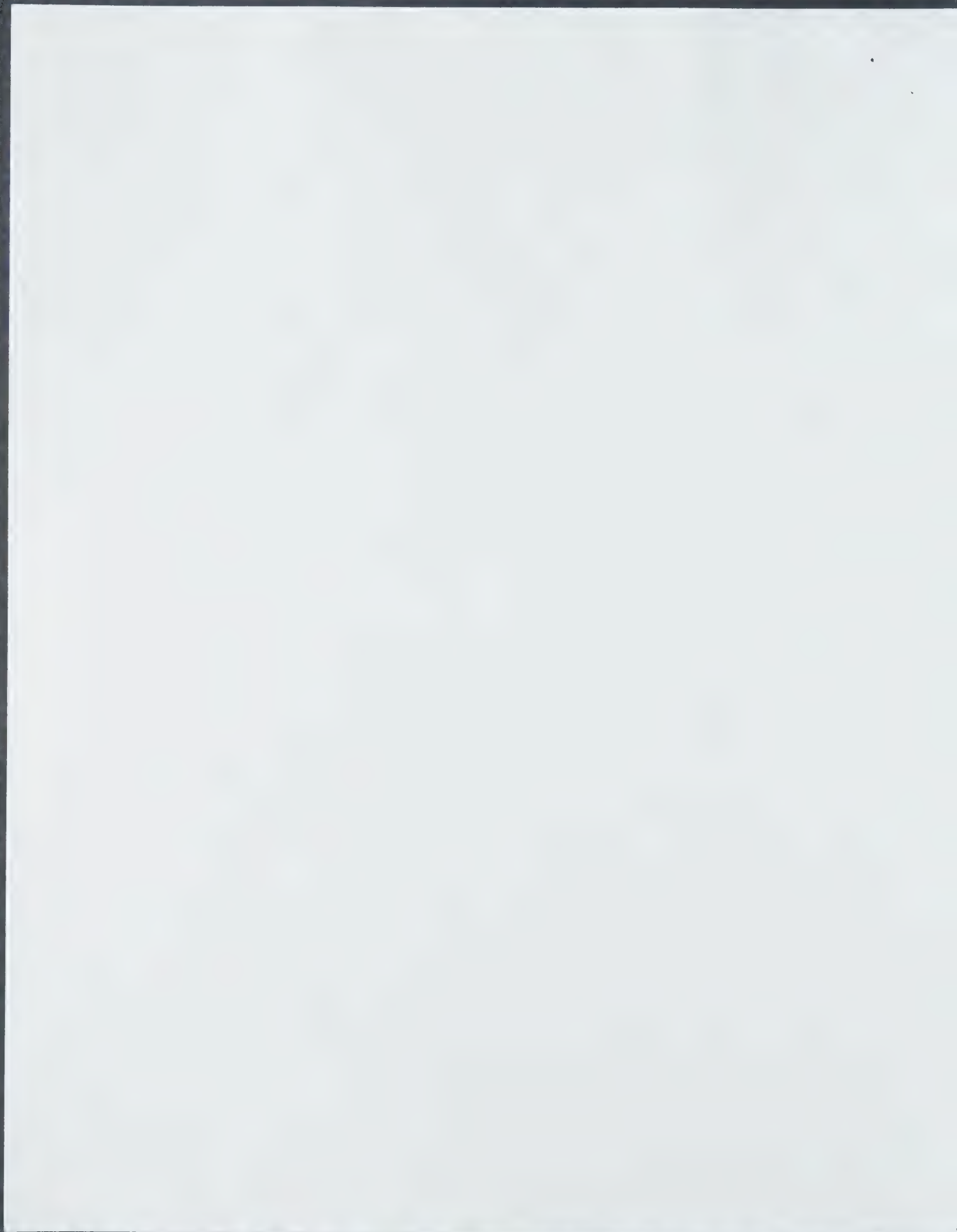
1. Regarding the Chemistry award: I raised your concerns with representatives of the Czech Chemistry Society and have received a response from Dr. Drasar (attached). While no one from the Foundation was able to attend the final meeting of the Committee which made the award decision in 1996 for Dr. Havlicek I do know from conversations which I had in December with some of the members that the question of whether this was CHEMISTRY was thoroughly discussed. It also makes note of that in the minutes from the meeting (which are, of course, in Czech). Even if I had been present, quite honestly, I would not have been able to assess this question, since it is really not my field of expertise. I am encouraged, however, that the members of the committee decided, based on the application materials, that the work of Dr. Havlicek is appropriate for the award. At this point, I cannot add more and look forward to your response to Dr. Drasar's e-mail message

2. The Foundation for a Civil Society, through our Democracy Network Program, has given a few small grants to Roma organizations in the Czech Republic, including the Dr. Rajko Djuric Foundation. For your information, I have forwarded a list of organizations to Wendy and though they are all small and many lack good solid organization skills, they are all doing extremely worthwhile projects. I think your idea to support such activities is an excellent one.

I am sorry that I will not be able to see you and Isabel when you are in New York. I especially enjoyed our meeting last year when we visited the Metropolitan Museum and saw the Wieners' art collection. I look forward to hearing from my colleagues about the meeting.

Best regards, as always





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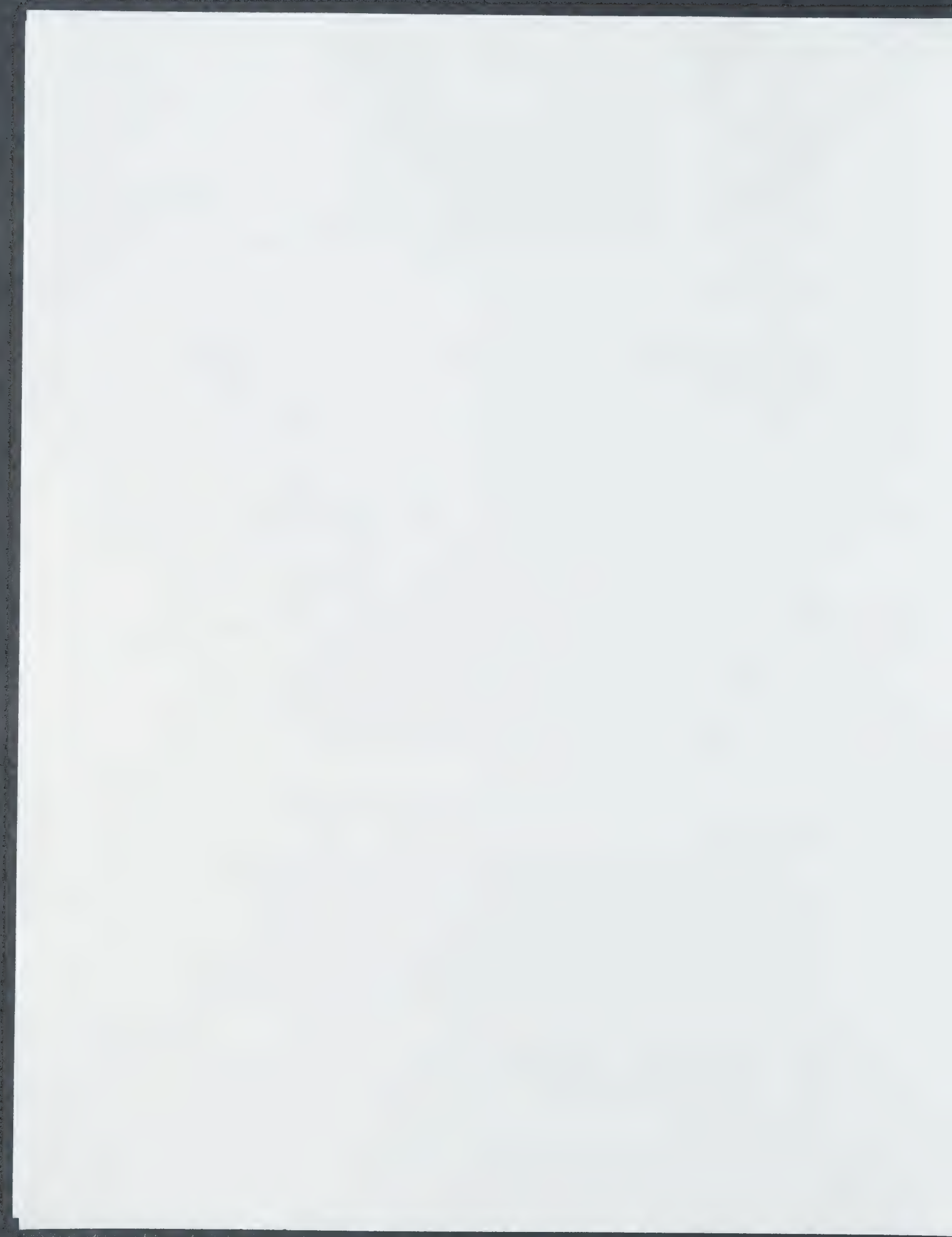
Dear Ms. Evans,

I was forwarded the message about Dr. Bader's questioning the position of the 1996 Alfred Bader Prize awardee, as the Czech Chemical Society manager and the secretary of the AB Prize Awarding Board. I should clearly state that twelve organic chemists in the board evaluated the status of all submitted works. The winning one was discussed long time, with the final decision IT IS ORGANIC CHEMISTRY. Someone, who feels touched with the decision of the board could, however, very simply report to Dr. Bader that Mr. Havlicek is analytical chemist, mass spec specialist or whatever. The committee had all manuscripts and reprints available and there was good majority decision at the end. Prof. Paleta many times repeated, that there is no must to award the prize if the committee is not clearly sure about the awardee's specialisation. I was present in person at the discussion with dr. Bader where he specified who is eligible of the prize, so you can take this statement also as my personal judgement of his status. I completely back the decision of the committee as I assume dr. Havlicek being very good organic chemist who additionally did a large portion of work in adjacent and supporting areas of chemistry. In fact, it is a great pity that this time no one from your office attended the Board meeting

You should know that you have and must have for the future all assurances

from the Czech Chemical Society Presidium (board of directors) as well as from the Awarding Board that the 12 organic chemists are able to judge whether the candidate fits into the organic chemistry ranks given strictly by dr. Bader or not. With the preciseness of prof. Paleta and expertise of all members, presence of members of the Czech Society Presidium and your people we must be sure that the Board decision will be next times again accurate and even more strict, as dr. Bader wishes.

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August 13, 1996

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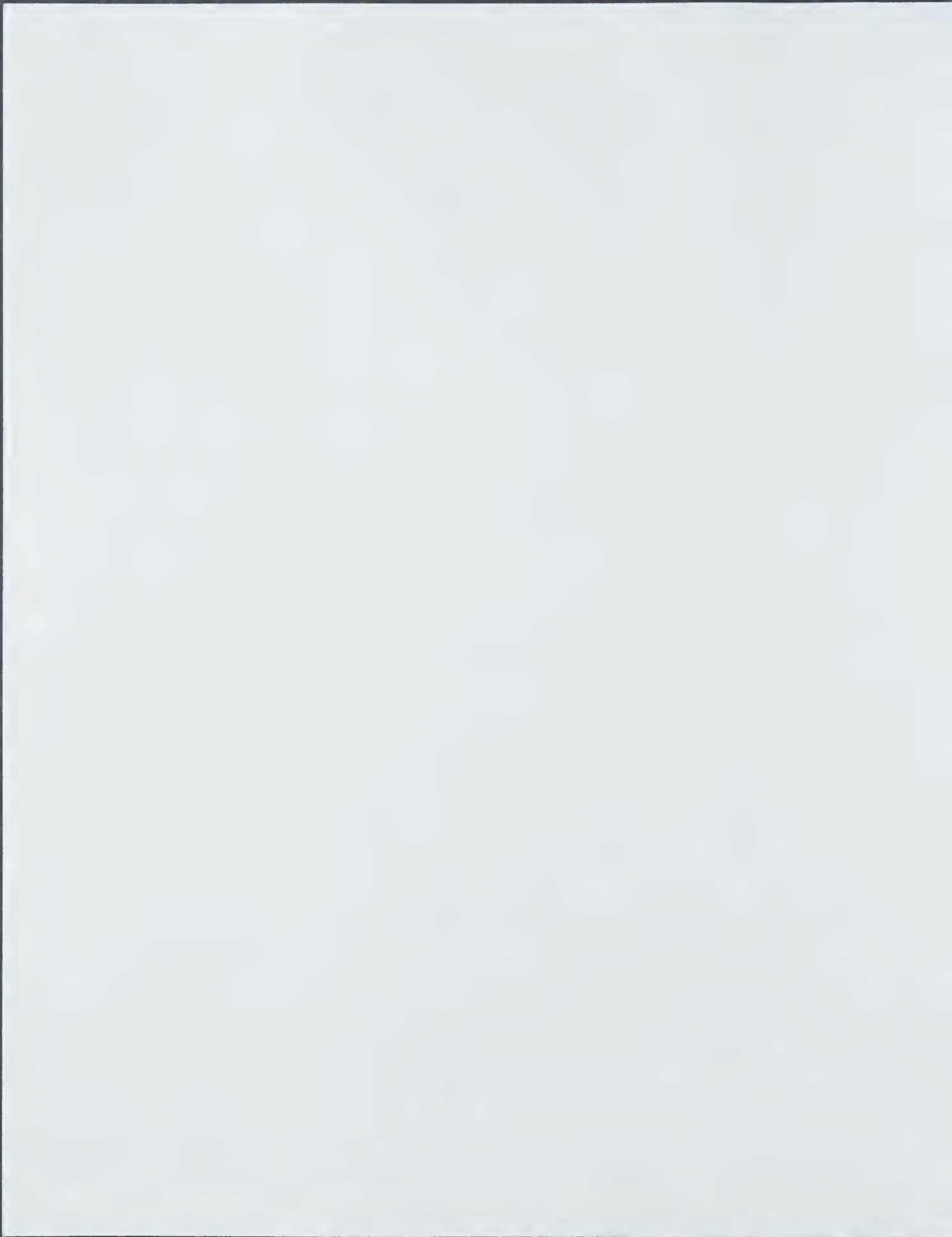
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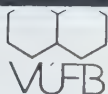
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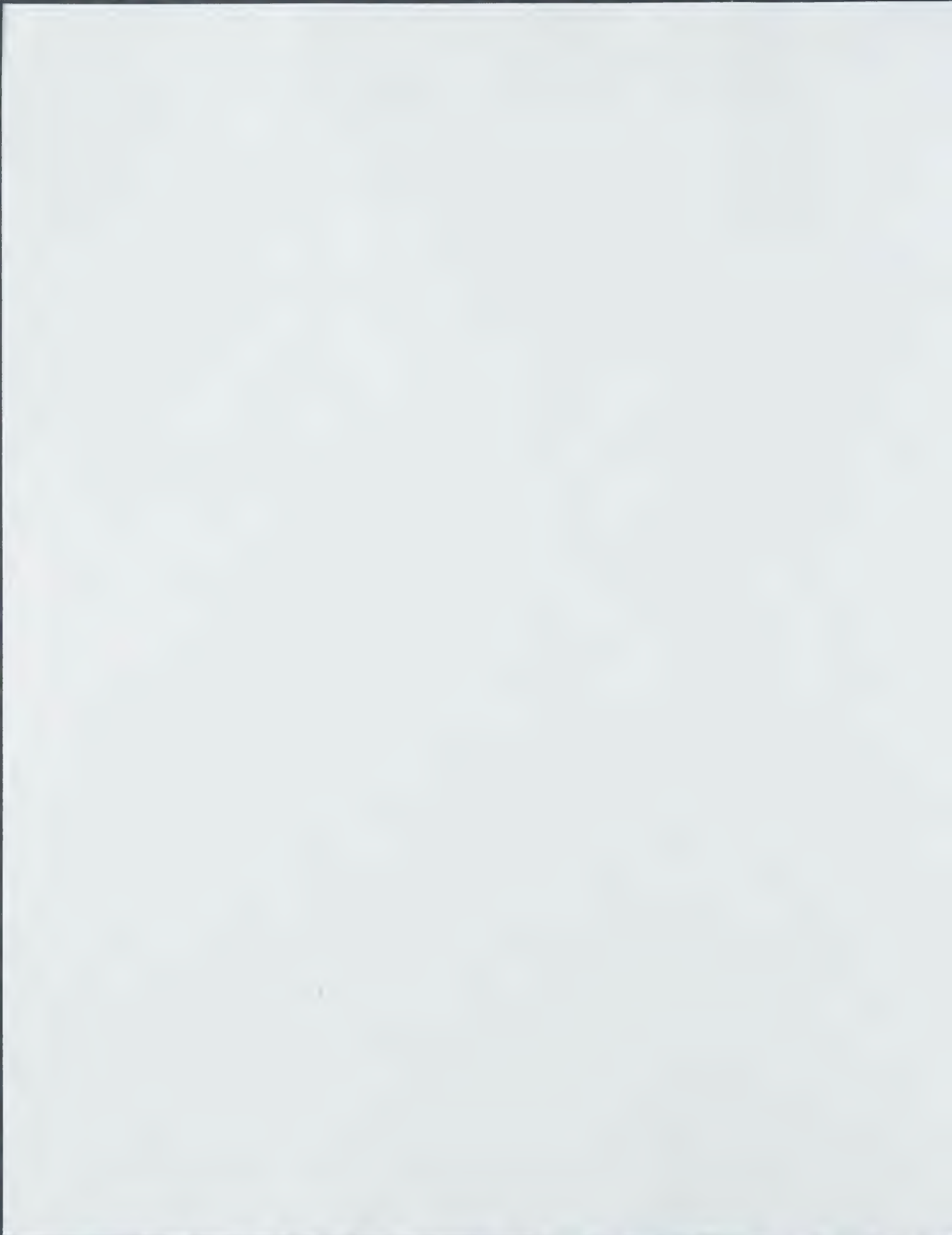
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Sincerely,

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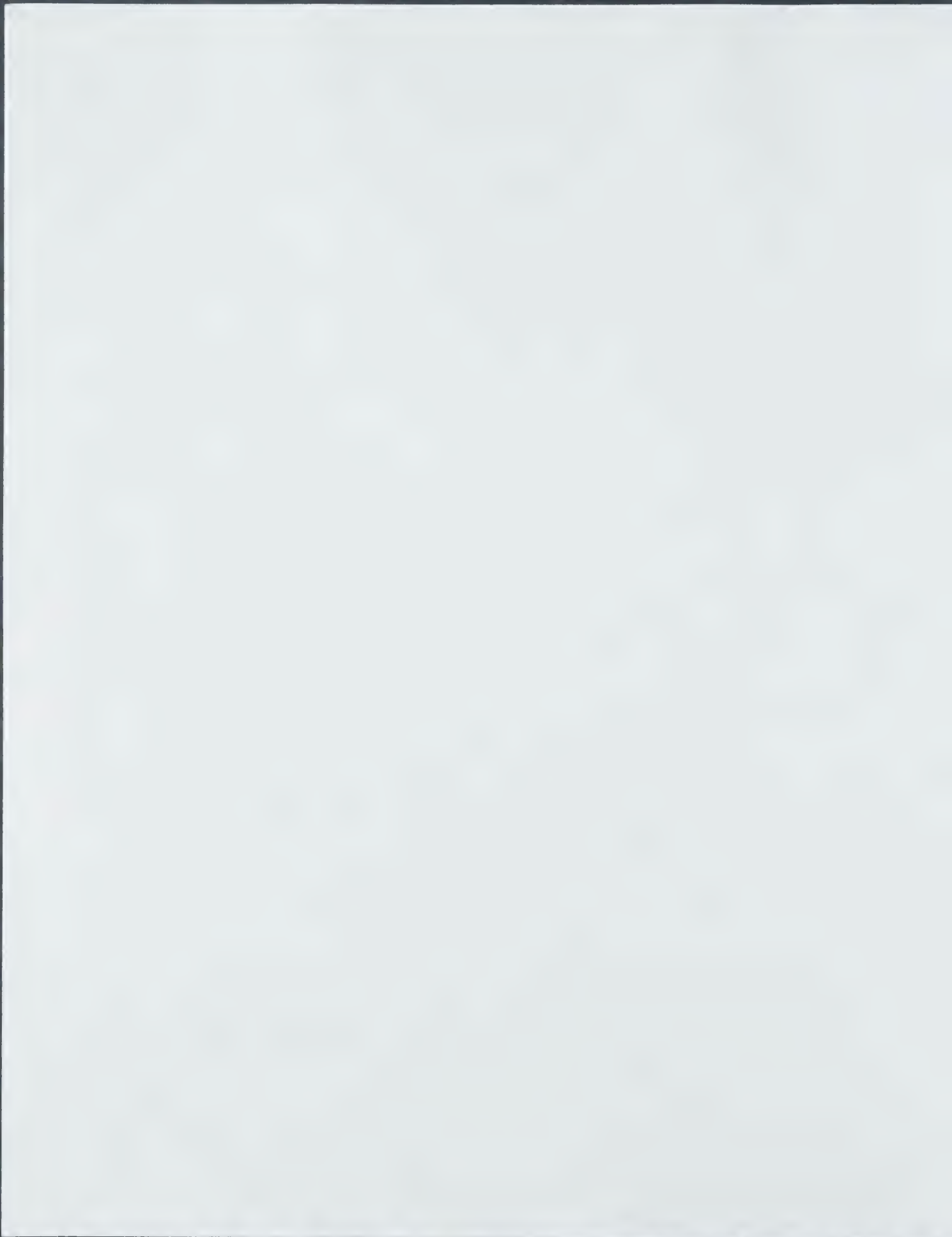
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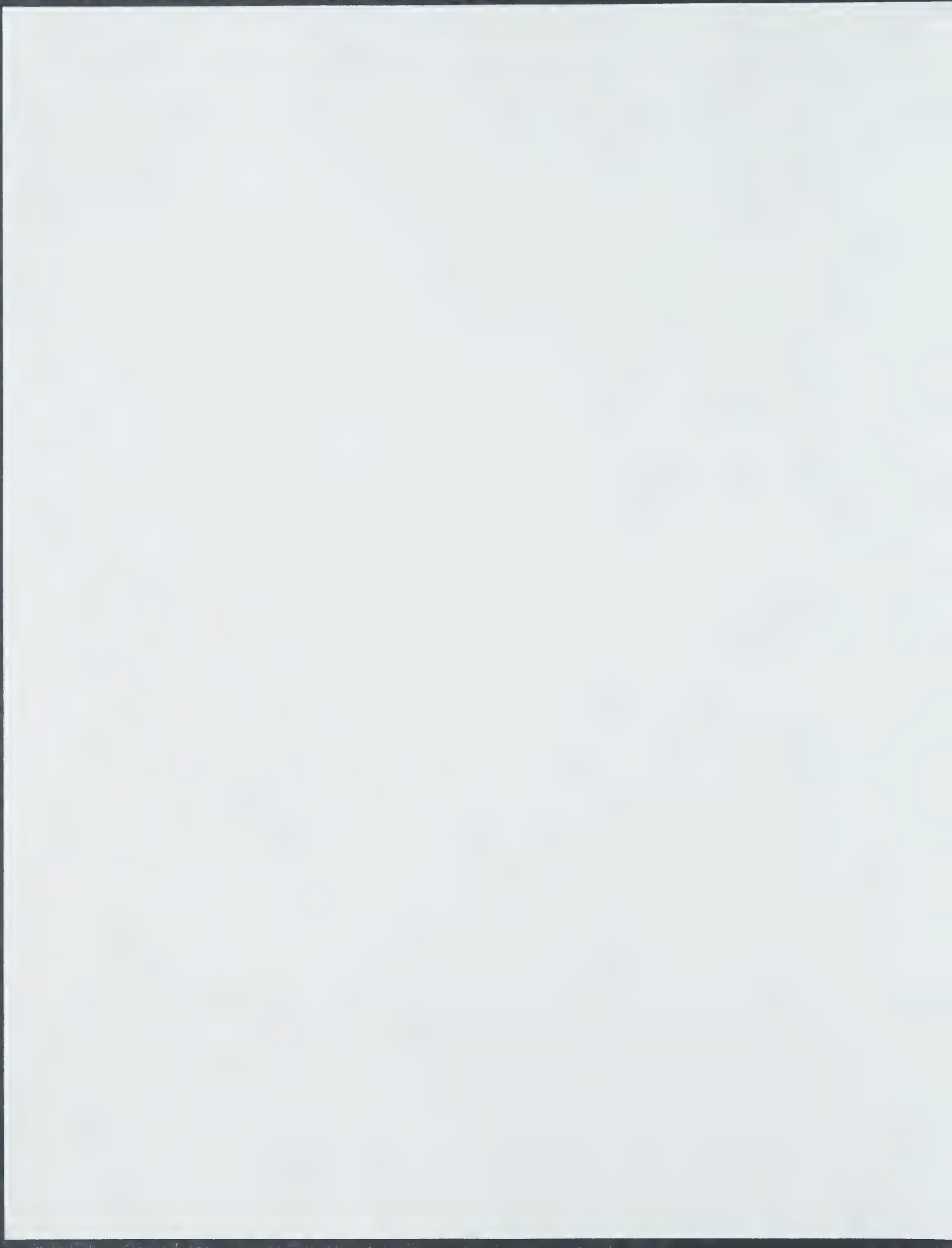
Isabel and I much look forward to being in Prague from Tuesday evening, June 4th, until Saturday morning, June 8th, again staying in the same apartment in Husova 18.

Of course, we very much hope to have a chance to meet with you.

With all good wishes from house to house, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

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January 2, 1996

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Dear Stan:

Thank you so much for your thoughtful letter of December 15th, written despite your being so overworked.

I know exactly how you feel, because now I am trying to do three jobs - writing books, working with small chemical companies, and of course, in my art gallery.

I think that the Loschmidt Symposium was a great success, and I enclose some details. Ten Czech students came to the Symposium, carefully guided by Professor Skursky from Brno. As far as I can tell, they all had a good time and learned a good deal.

The Austrian Postal Service issued a stamp showing Loschmidt with the correct structure of cinnamic acid. I wonder whether the Czech Academy will keep its promise and have a Czech stamp honoring Loschmidt published in 1996.

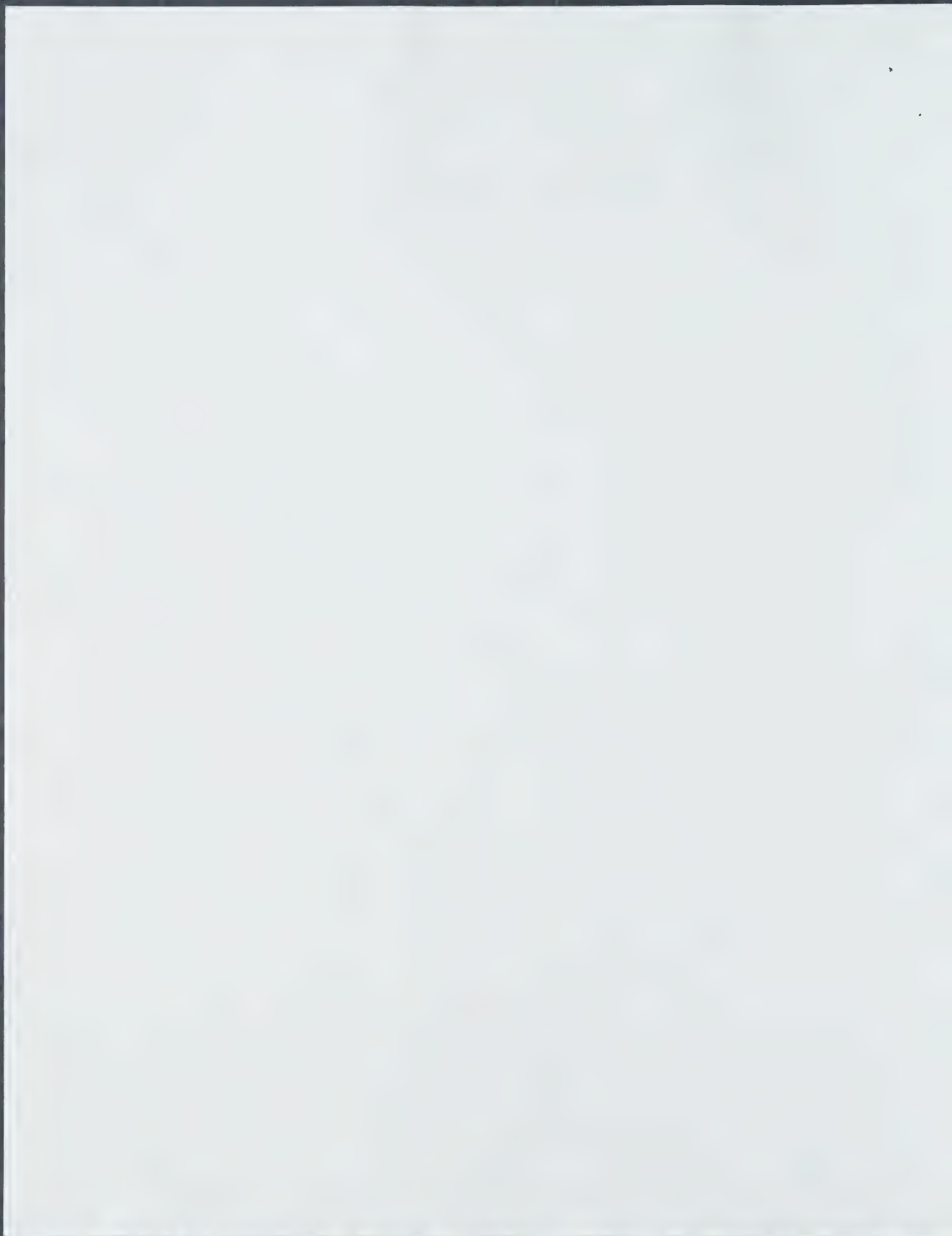
Isabel and I look forward to being in Prague again in June, and of course, very much hope to see you then.

With all good wishes, I remain,

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December 15, 1995

Dear Alfred:

Thank you very much for your letter of November 2. Please excuse my delay but I have really been very busy for last several months. I am preparing a review for Allan Katritzky and since the deadline is approaching I must use all the time for it. In addition, I have to prepare annual report on my project on analgesics to have a chance to receive some money for the next year. It is really difficult to get money for research these days.

And during these hectic days I have got a flu and I have spent the last week in bed with a fever. Now I am starting feeling better but Majka seems to be also ill. The only healthy person in our family is Tom. As you know, he attends his first year at the Prague Technical University studying Computer Science. He likes it very much but I feel that he does not take it seriously enough. He has a lot of other activities like music (of course not classical one), Magic cards, computer games, etc. I must hope in his own judgment.

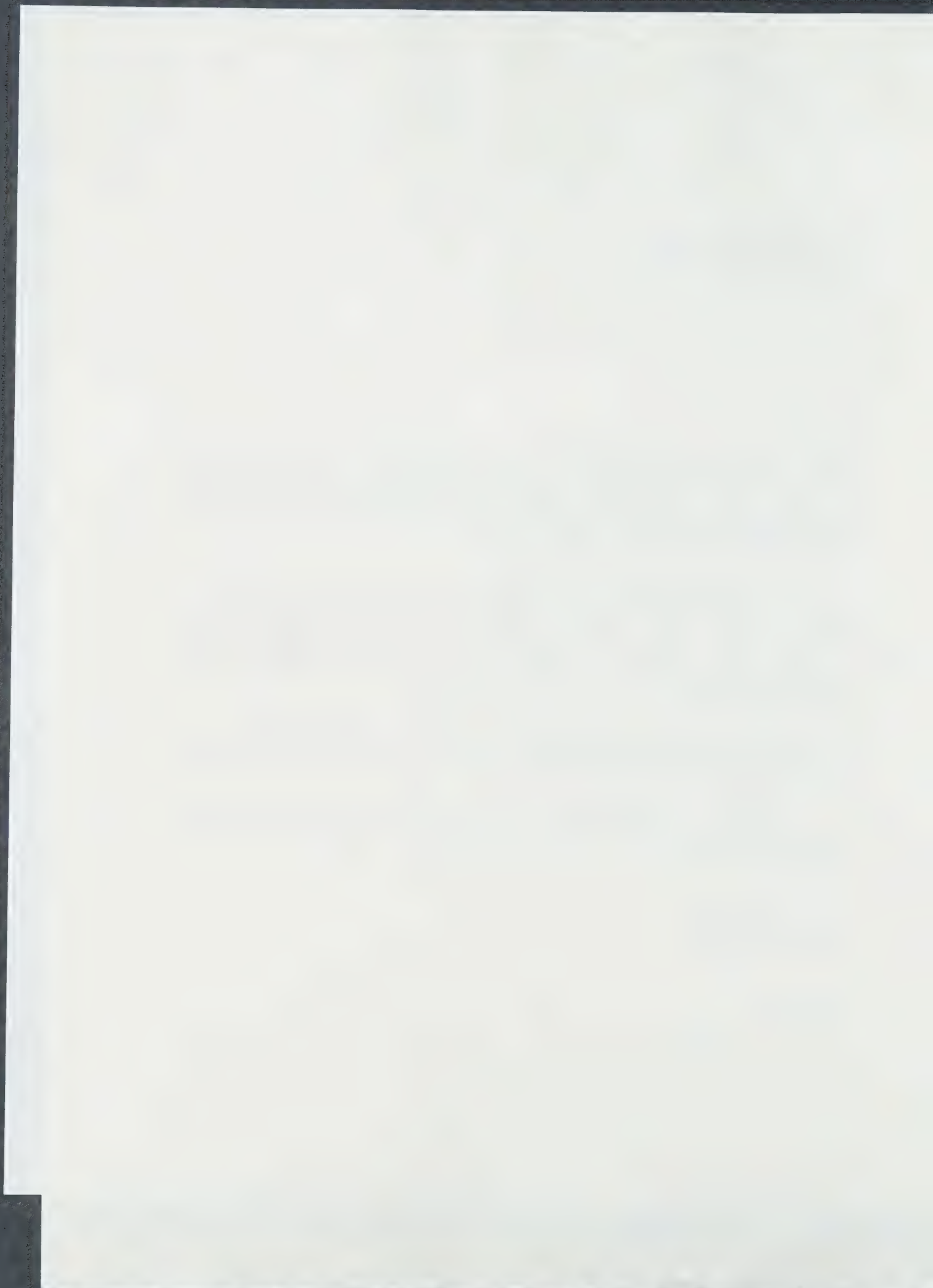
Regarding my review of your biography for Chemicke Listy, I have passed the corrected proofs. In fact, I hoped that I would be able to enclose a copy of the review together with a rough translation to this letter but it has not been published yet.

You have not mentioned your impression of the Loschmidt's Symposium in Vienna, if you have time for it, provide me some information about it. I do not know anybody else who has participated there.

With personal regards.

Sincerely,

Alan





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A Chemist Helping Chemists

March 14, 1996

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Dear Stan:

Thank you so much for your letter of March 7th and your fine review of my autobiography.

Isabel and I plan to be in Prague from June 5th through the 7th, again staying at that pleasant apartment at Husova 18.

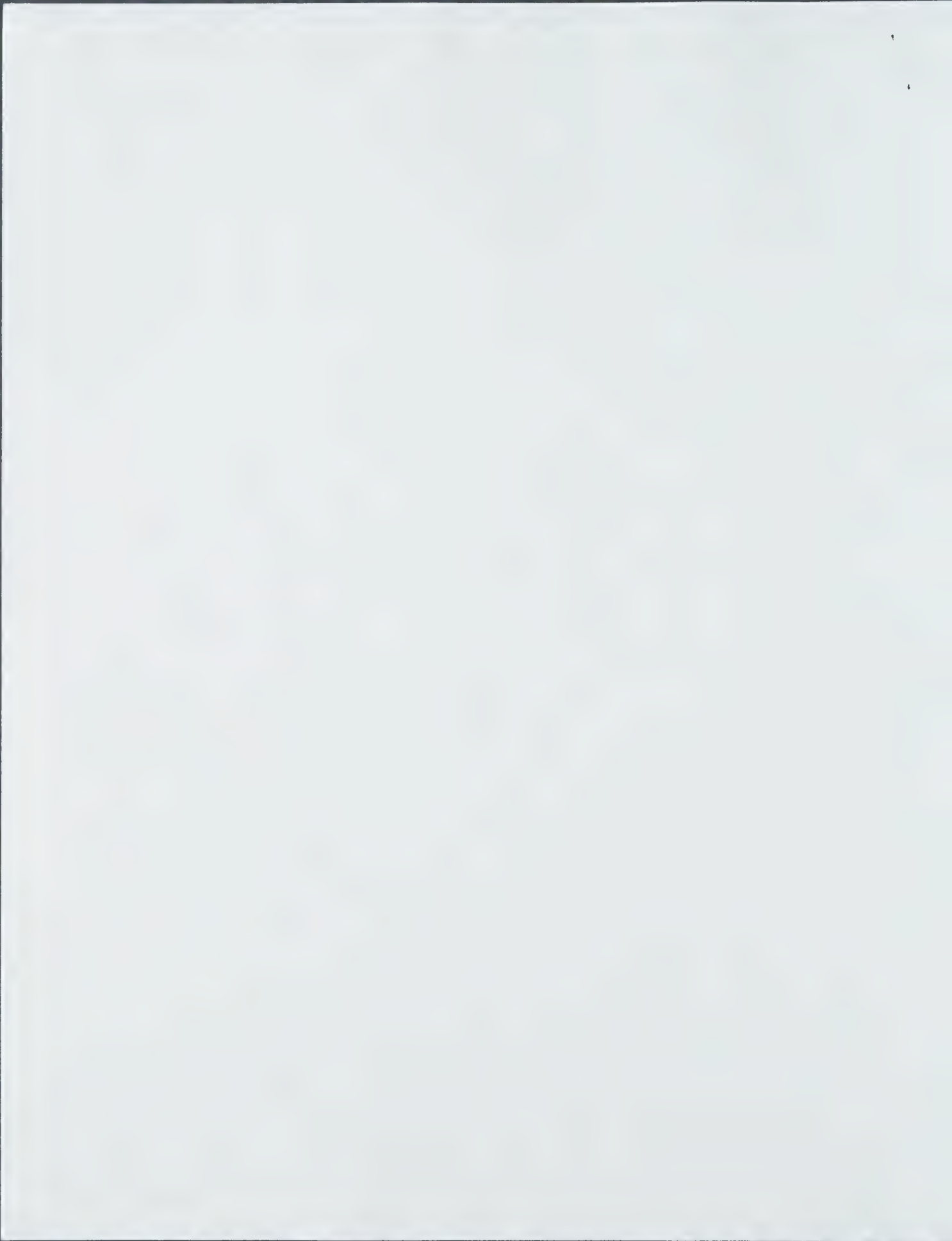
I am scheduled to lecture at the Heyrovsky Institute on the 5th and the other days plan to visit with old friends and show Prague to my sons and their wives. Of course, we very much hope to see you and your family.

I don't know Dr. Kyncl well, though from what little I know of him, I would agree with you that he is not very reliable. But maybe he is just very overworked. And at Abbott, there is an enormous amount of politics.

With best regards, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

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March 7, 1996

Dear Alfred:

Thank you very much for your letter of January 15, 1996. First I must apologize for being so late with this letter but I have been very busy last days. Another reason for the delay was that I waited for my copy of Chemické Listy with my review of your autobiography. Now I am enclosing a xerox copy of the review and its rough English translation.

I am glad to know the time of your visit to Prague so that I can count with it. I can help Ing. Matouš to organize your Prague part of the visit, if you like. Of course, if you need any help feel free to contact me. I hope that this time you will spend much more time in Prague and I am looking forward to meet you and Isabel. I also hope that Majka will be able to meet you too. She has a lot of business trips and some of them are quite urgent without the possibility to postpone them. Last year she was sad that she was not able to meet you both.

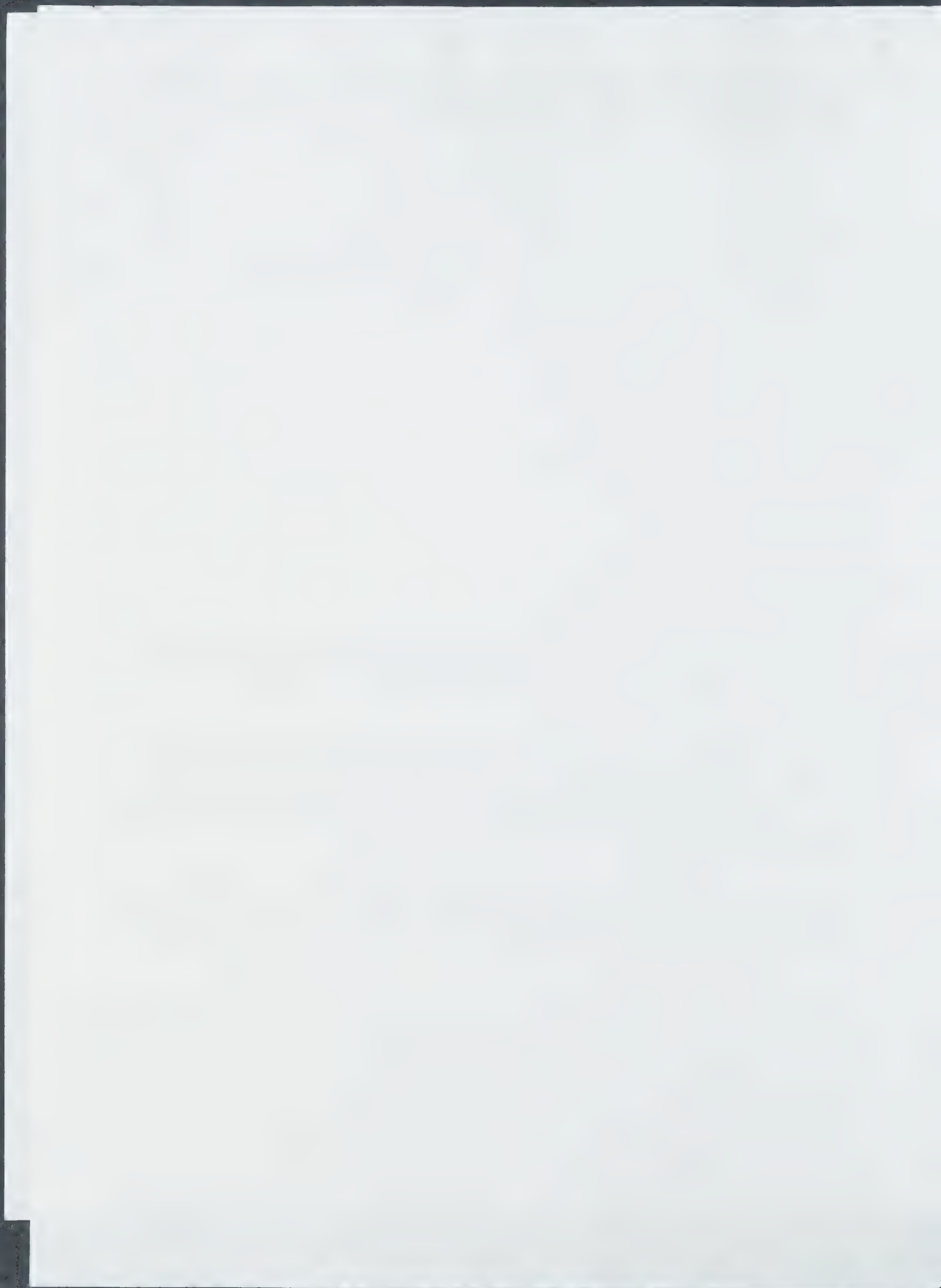
In one of my letters I informed you about Dr. Kyncl from Abbott who was trying to establish some collaboration with our Institute. Unfortunately he seems to be either very much occupied or not very serious person. He got materials about our Institute and promised several ways of mutual collaboration but that was all.

Best regards.

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Just a brief note to tell you that Isabel and I look forward to being in Prague for three or four days during the week of June 3rd.

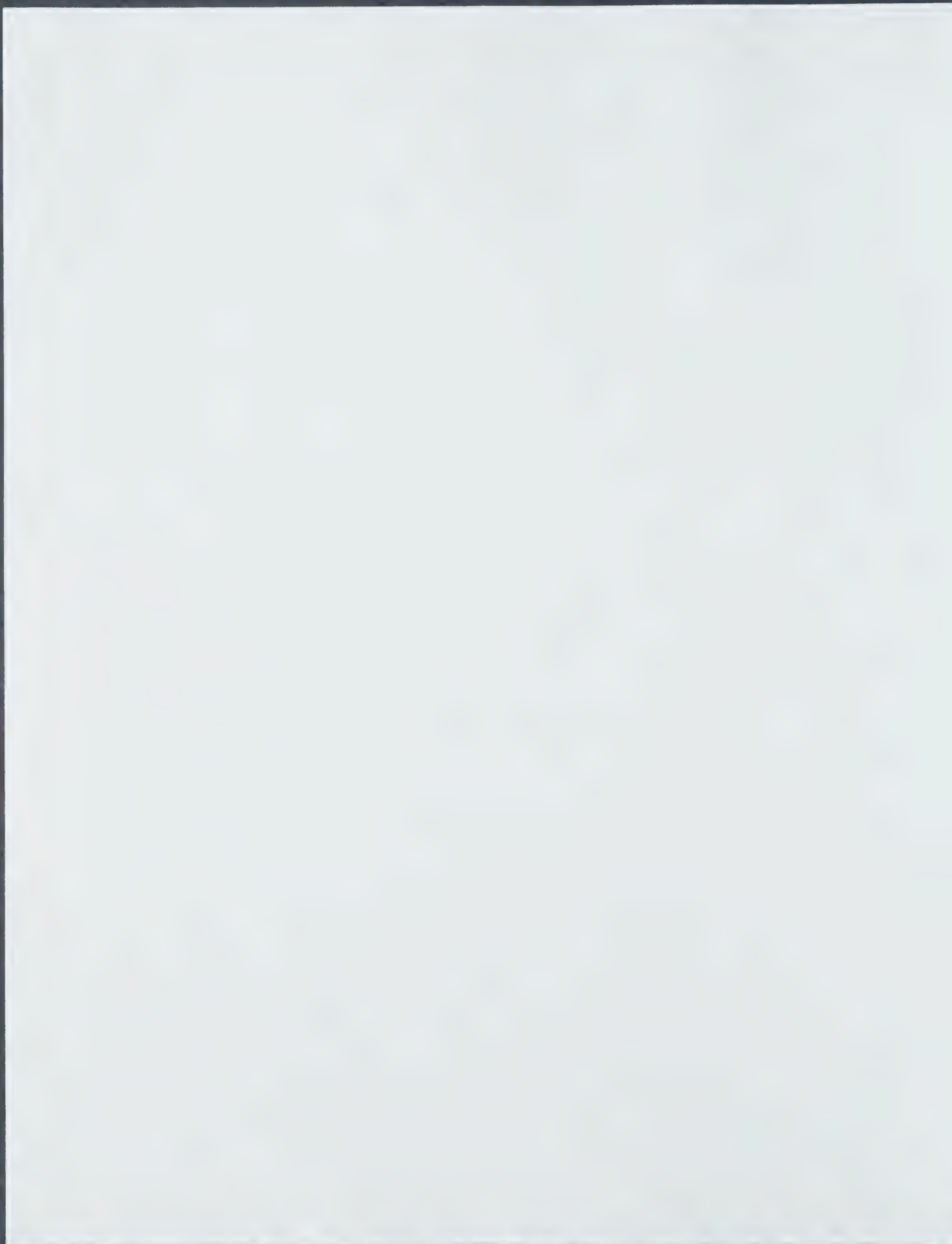
We plan to spend these days in Prague and also two days each in Pardubice and Brno. We have asked our good friend, Ing. Vladimir Matous, to coordinate our trip.

Needless to say, we very much hope to have a chance to visit with you.

With all good wishes, I remain,

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A Chemist Helping Chemists

November 2, 1995

Dr. Stanislav Radl
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Dear Stan:

Thank you for your letter of September 15th, which took over a month to get here.

I don't really know Dr. Kyncl well, except that he is very interested in Czech paintings.

Abbott is a very competent company, but like most large companies, they have an enormous amount of internal politics, which outsiders find very difficult to understand.

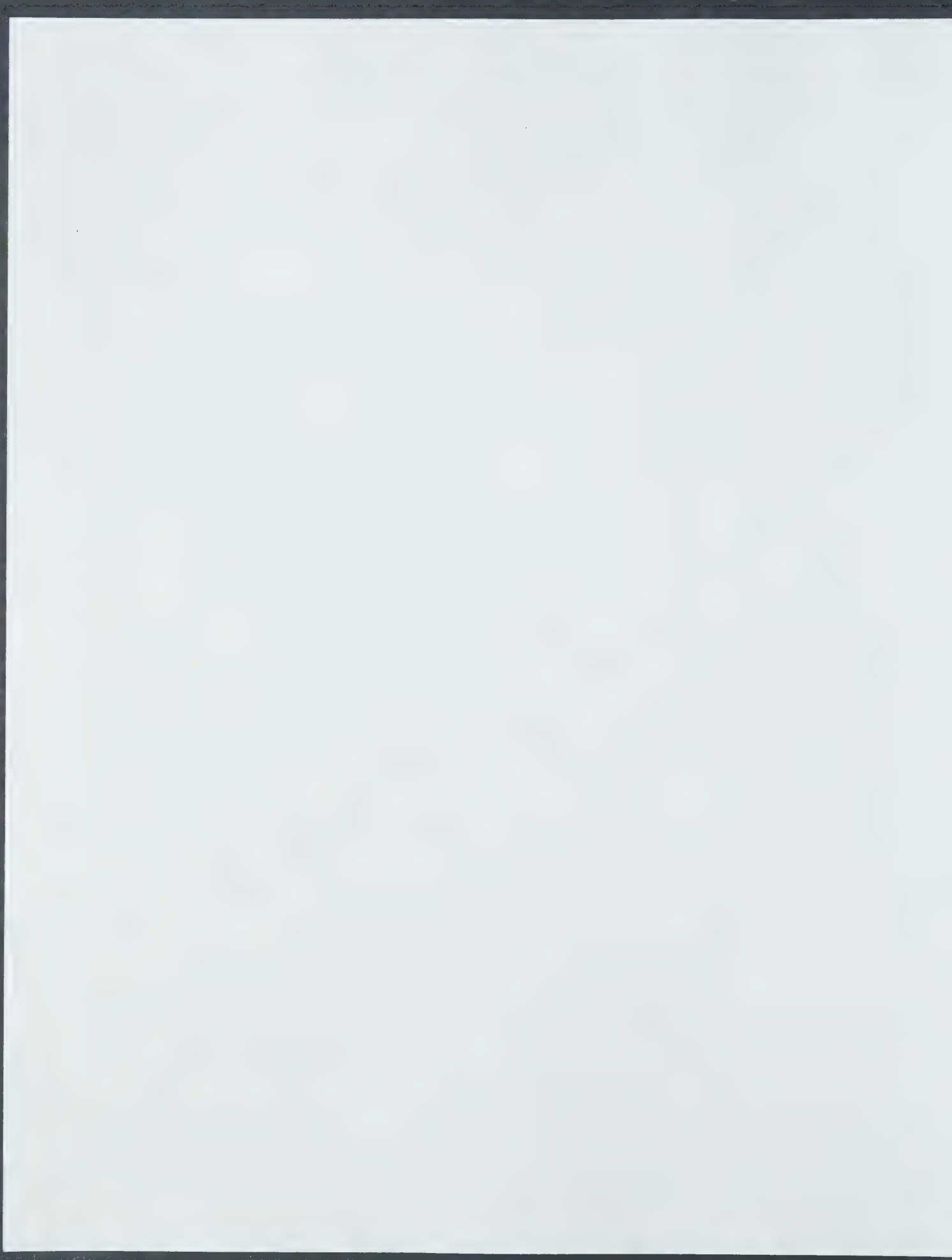
Dr. Zdenek Herman is a very likable guy who wanted to write a review of my book, I hope for the popular press and not for *Chemické Listy*. You might like to call him to make certain that your efforts do not overlap.

We already look forward to seeing you again in Prague in June.

With all good wishes, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

AB/cw



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A Chemist Helping Chemists

August 29, 1995

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Dear Stan:

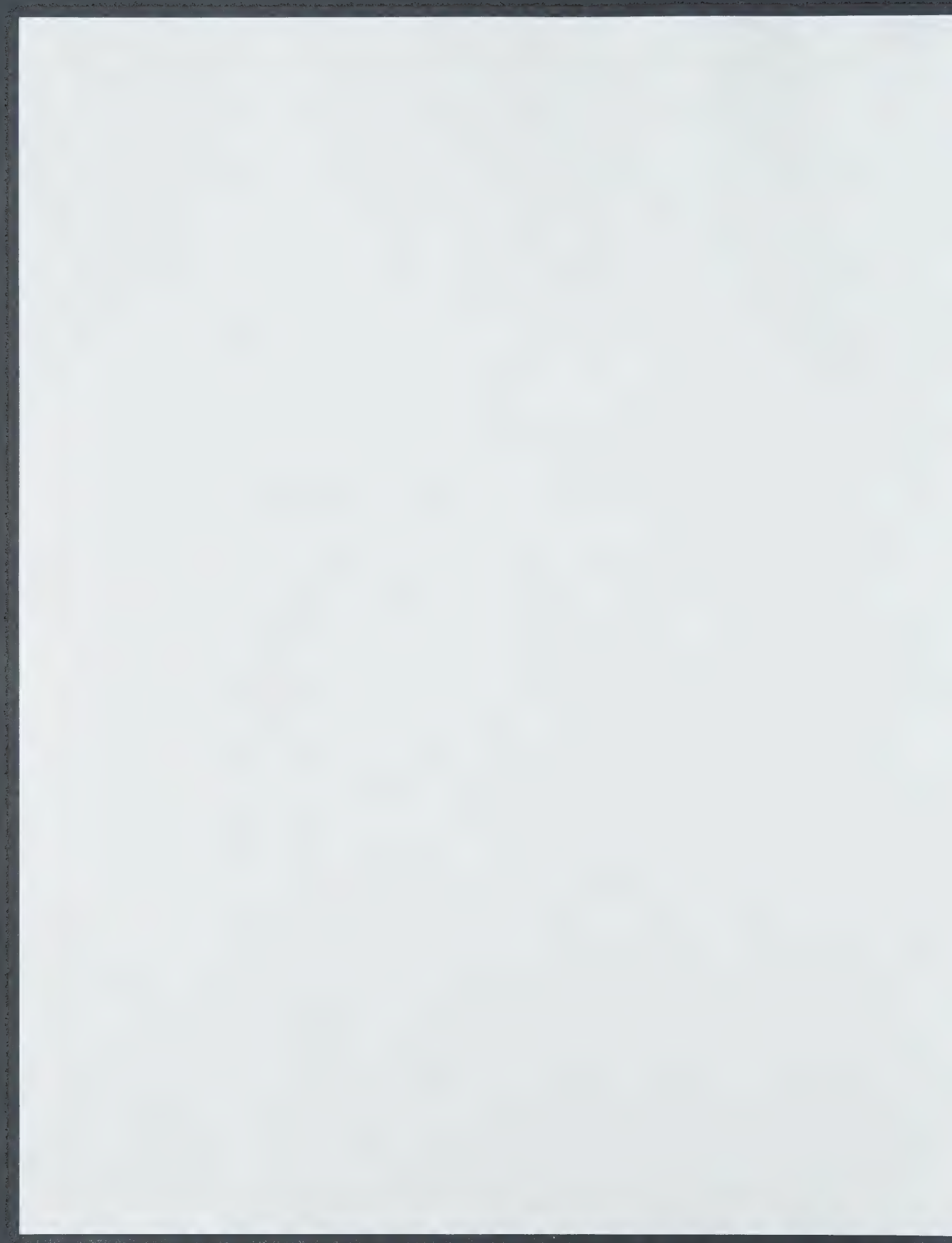
I still remember our days in Prague and our hours with you, which were just too short.

Could you please help me with one detail? I promised to send Professor Zdenek Hermann the manuscript of a paper, but unfortunately have mislaid his card. Could you please send me his address?

Isabel and I already look forward to being in Prague again next summer and hope then to have a little more time with you and your family.

With all good wishes, as always,

AB/cw



March 20, 1995

Dr. Stanislav Radl
Pertoldova 3380
143 00 Prague 4
Czech Republic

Dear Stan:

I am sorry to note that I have not replied to your informative letter of January 17th, but unfortunately, my very good secretary of many years had a serious stomach operation and then suffered a stroke which completely paralyzed her right side.

You will be able to imagine what this does to a team of two.

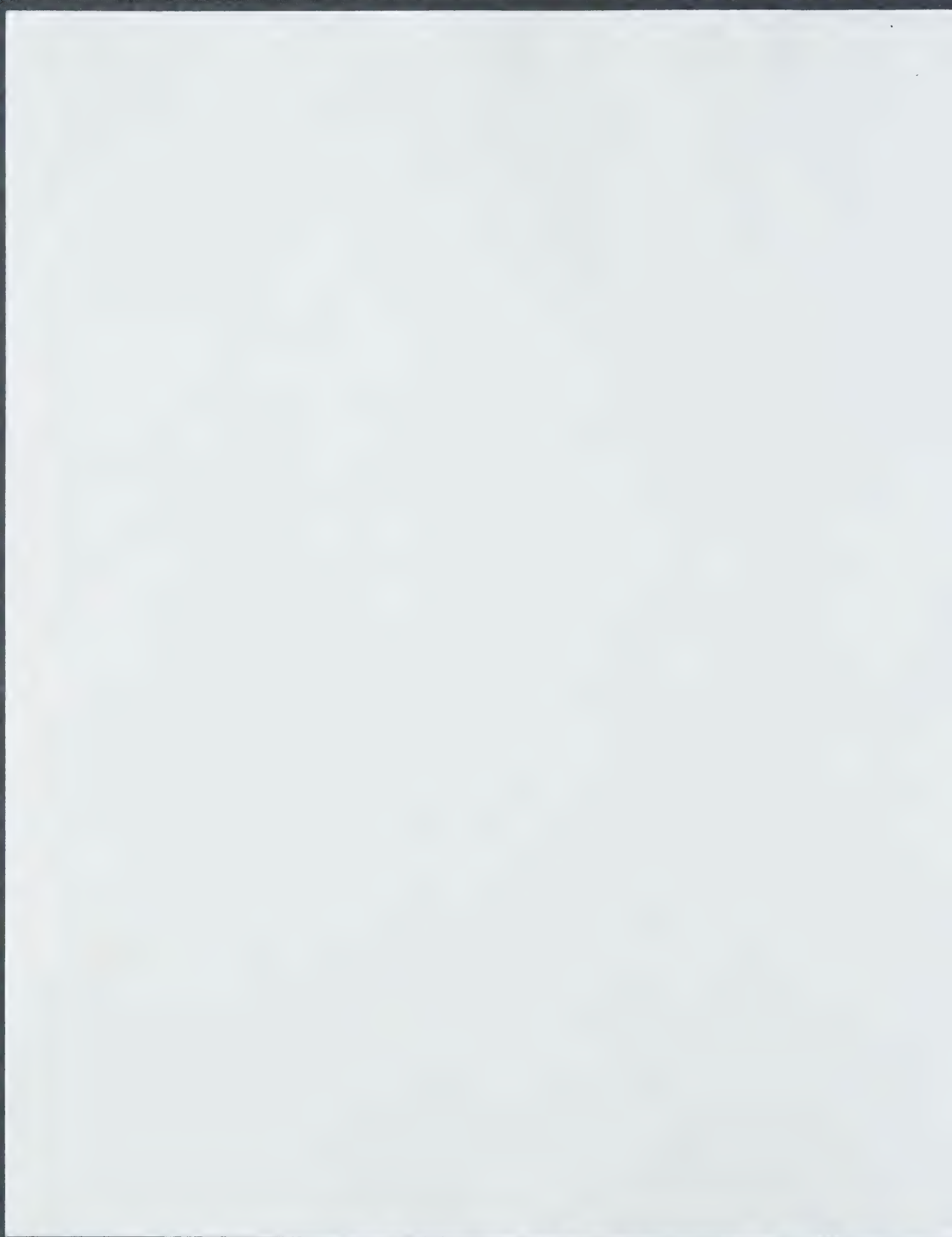
Isabel and I look forward to being in Prague, albeit only quite briefly, namely from the 19th to the 21st of June. It will have to be so short because there is a special festivity at Herstmonceux Castle on June 17th, and I have to speak in Brno on June 22nd and then in Vienna twice for the Loschmidt Symposium.

Despite the shortness of time, we very much hope to be able to spend at least a little time with you and your family.

With all good wishes, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

AB/cw



Dr. Alfred Bader
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Czech trip free
with money

January 17, 1995

Dear Alfred:

Thank you very much for your letter of December 22 which was sent from England. I passed your information about the Bader fellowship in London to a prospective applicant who is, in my opinion, also very good. Not knowing the other applicants, it is difficult to evaluate his chance to get the fellowship. Nevertheless, I have some experience with fresh graduates from the Czech Universities and I am sure that this man is fairly good at science and also a very modest person.

Yesterday I received a letter from a friend of yours Ira Kukin. His company is becoming involved in the Czech Republic and is seeking a manager of its Prague office. I am afraid I do not know such a person. From a non-specified reason he asked me for my resume. I will answer the letter within a few days.

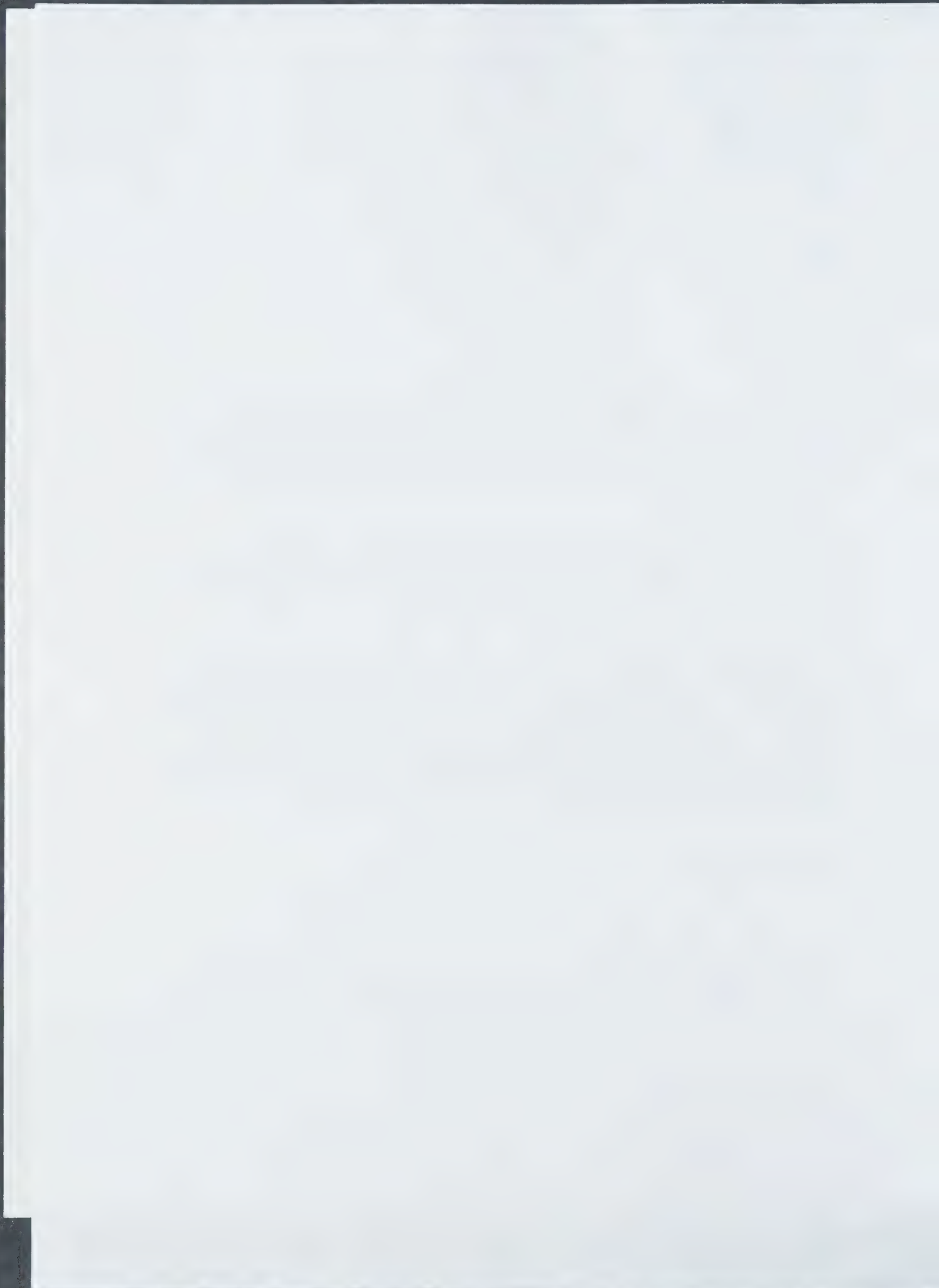
We all are relatively OK. Majka is a little bit too busy at her job and I am not quite sure if the job is suitable for her. Tom will graduate from the high school this year. He would like to study Computer Science at the University. It is a great hobby of his and I suppose that he is good at it. I have received a financial support for this year for my present project on analgesics from Leciva (a Czech pharmaceutical company). I have just finish a chapter for Comprehensive Heterocyclic Chemistry and for some time I will enjoy the fact of not being so busy as I have been during the last several months. From the beginning of this year I am also a member of the Czech Chemical Society.

With personal regards.

Sincerely,

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ALFRED BADER FINE ARTS

DR. ALFRED BADER

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April 19, 1995

Dr. Stanislav Radl
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Czech to free

Dear Stan:

Thank you so much for your letter of April 9th.

As you know, we will be staying in Prague for just two days, staying at the same apartment as before. And, of course, we very much hope to have at least a little time together.

Sadly, my secretary, who has been with me for 15 years, remains badly paralyzed and has now been moved from the hospital to a nursing home. I fear that the chances for a substantial recovery are slim.

Isabel and I have offered \$500.00 each to up to ten students of chemistry in the Czech Republic to go to the Loschmidt Symposium in Vienna in June. But I don't know how many have applied, though of course I will know by the time I see you.

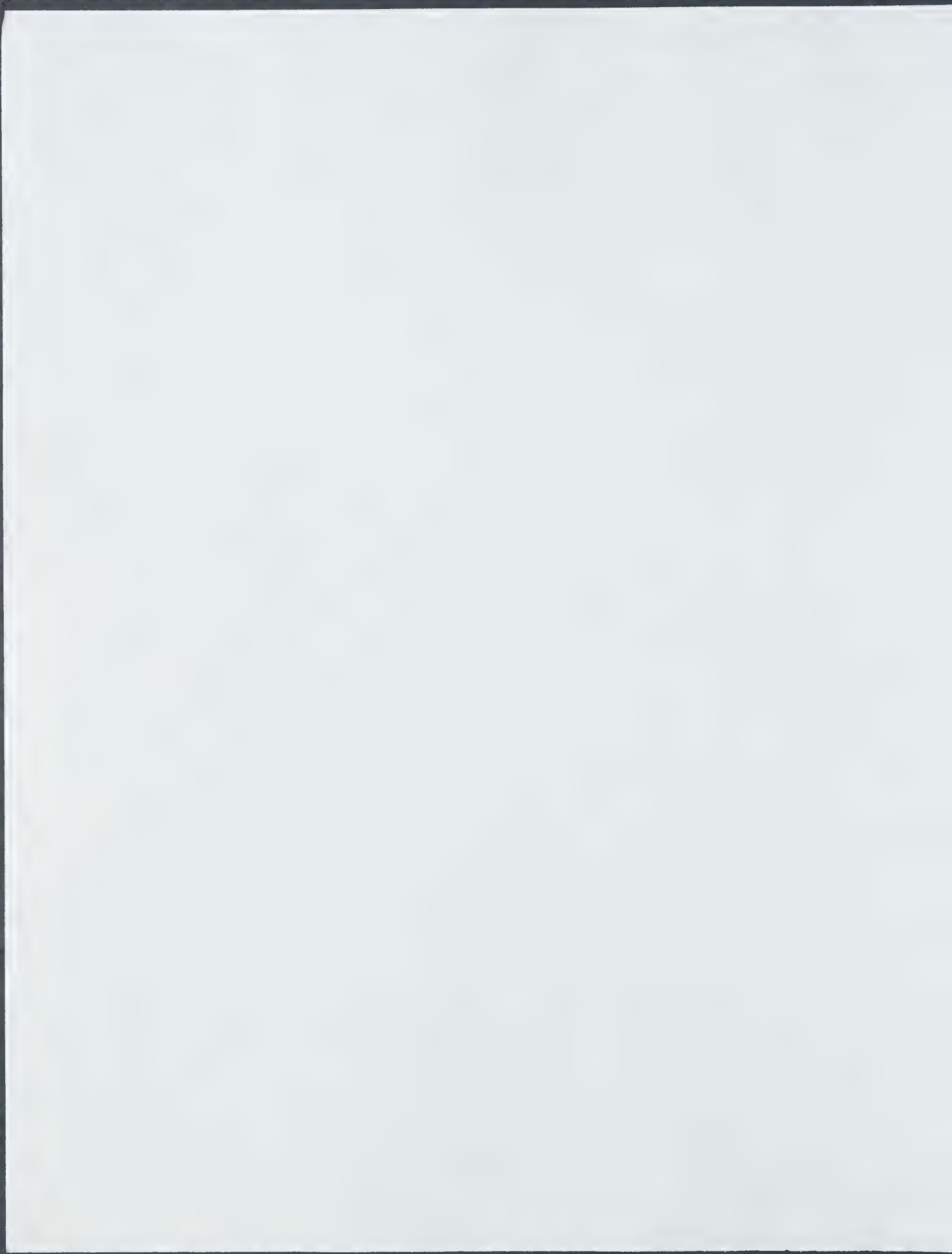
And it would, of course, also be great fun to be able to meet you in England.

With fond regards from house to house, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

AB/cw

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Dr. Alfred Bader
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October 11, 1994

Dear Alfred:

Thank you very much for your letters of September 20 and October 4. I feel a little bit guilty for the delay but I am now really busy.

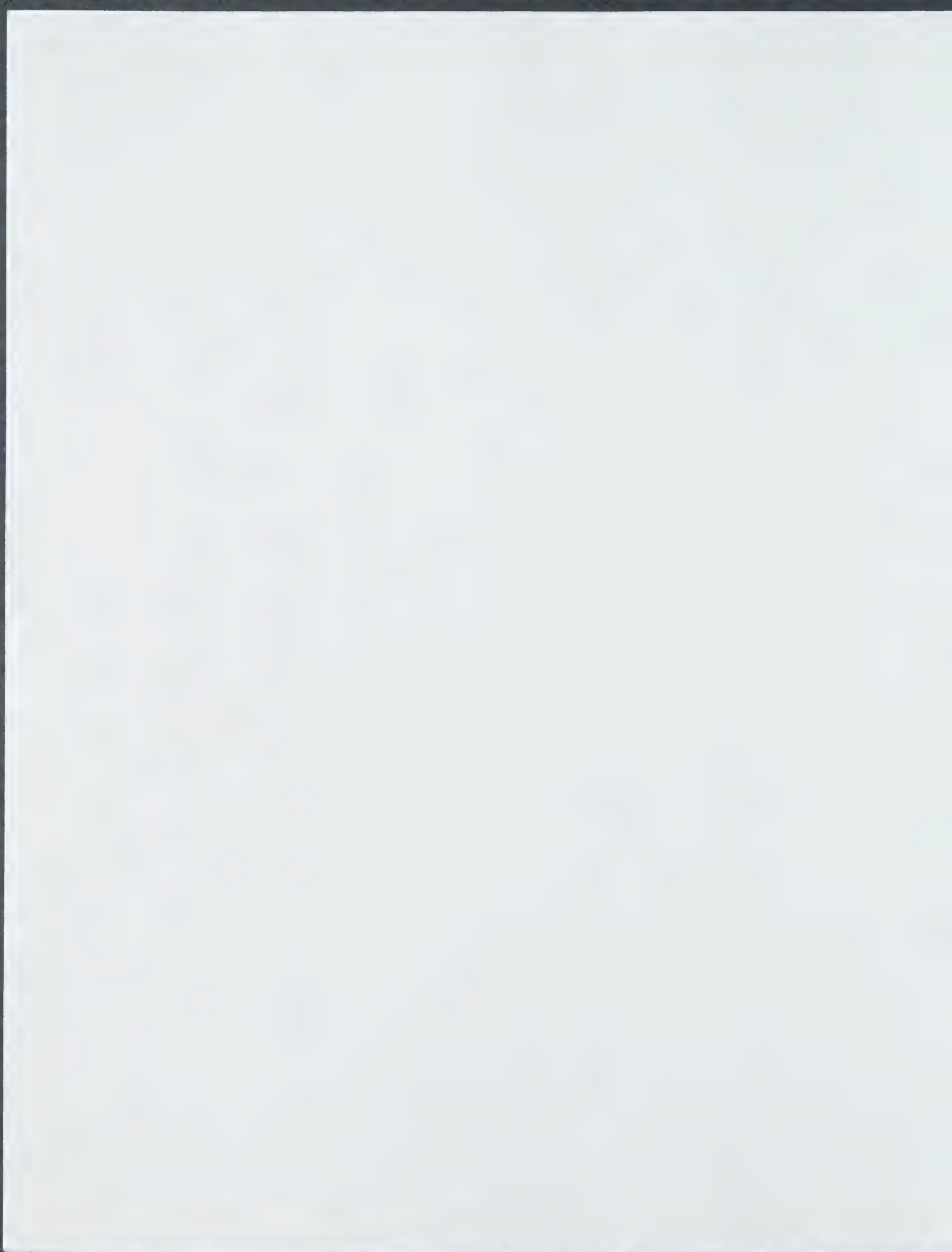
It is good to hear that the first 4 lots came duly to you. You have probably divided the samples into 6 smaller lots. I have already received 2 checks, for \$420 (check # 390530) and \$490 (check # 390653). Since the sum is altogether \$ 910, I suppose that it is for lots 3 and 4. Meantime I have prepared all my samples (designed as lots 5 - 10 and lots A-D), four of them I have already sent. The rest of them I am supposed to send in about two weeks. Of course all compounds Aldrich do have in its catalogues will not be paid for.

Regarding Dr. Ivo Stary, I know him quite well. He has been working on steroids for many years and he is quite good at it. His PhD mentor was Dr. Kocovsky. You must remember him, it is the guy who asked you for money for his own research instead of giving them for a scholarship. In spite of this coincidence, I believe that Dr. Stary is a good human being in sense you usually use this phrase. He is a little bit shy, he is very good at classical music. He even leads a small group of musicians and this group usually gives a concert during the annual conference of the Czech Chemical Society in Liblice.

Keep in touch, I'll write more soon.

Sincerely,

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November 9, 1994

Dr. Stanislav Radl
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Czech Republic

Dear Stan,

Isabel and I are just leaving for England this afternoon, and I have to thank you for your letter of October 31, just received.

We were in Canada last week when some of your research samples arrived. Marilyn Hassmann, my secretary, routinely turns them over to Bob Wandler.

I am happy to know that Dr. Stary was a suitable recipient for the first Bader award. I have already received a note from him in Geneva, where he is on a sabbatical.

I will be in London visiting Imperial College and the first Czech/Bader fellow, who is now at University College, at the end of November. I will then inquire when the next fellow will be chosen and will let you know.

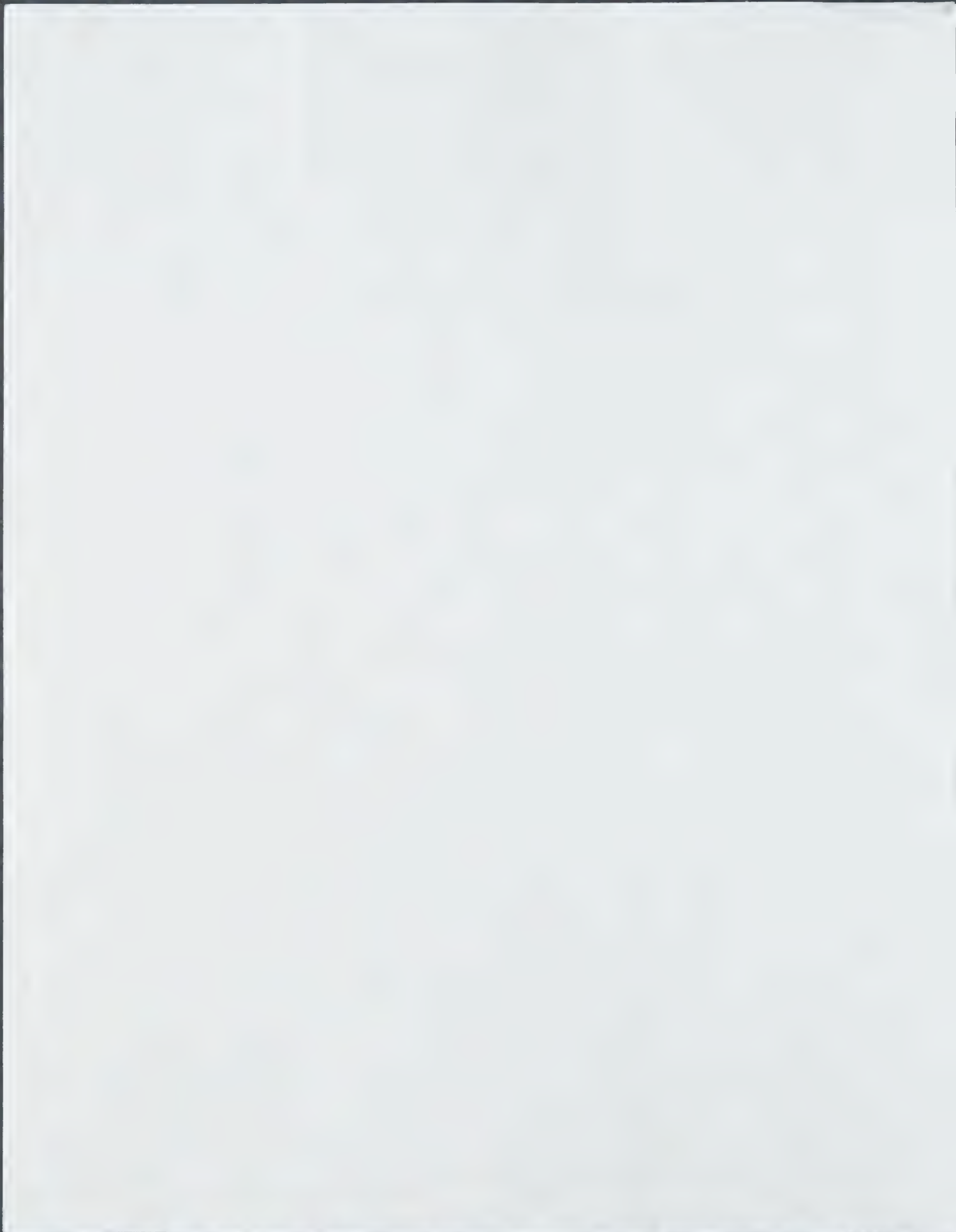
The autobiography is essentially finished, and only proofreading the galley remains. I enclose copy of the cover. I think that there will be a great many pages of interest to you, and I just don't know which to pick.

Fond regards from house to house.

As always,

Enclosure

(Dictated by Dr. Bader and
signed in his absence)



Dr. Alfred Bader
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April 22, 1993

Dear Alfred,

Thank you very much for your kind letter of April 9, 1993, and the enclosed copies. I also appreciate your corrections concerning your predecessors living in my country. And I really must visit the Milotice castle to see the "ugly portraits" of your ancestors. It is a good reason to spend a nice week of my vacation in Moravia in some of the coming years.

After I sent you my last letter I realized that I should have wished you and Isabel "Happy Passover" so allow me to do so with some delay. I must admit that before coming to the USA I had no idea about this holiday. And then I was not sure if it is appropriate to wish a Jewish person at this occasion. This time I asked a person about it and she assured me that it is not only appropriate but nearly compulsory. So accept my excuse.

I am glad to see that you are establishing a new Bader's Fellowship, now even at famous Harvard University. I wish I were twenty years younger to compete for these fellowships. I only hope that Czech Universities will be able under the new conditions to produce graduates good enough for these fellowships. My friends from Prague Technical University have really hard time now. Some people in the Czech Republic also complain about the hardship of the real life in this new situation. I agree that the situation is not very good in the sense of standard of living. But who of us could even dream about going abroad to do some postgraduate studies? Who could travel without any restrictions? Who could subscribe any foreign newspapers or magazine? And who could express his or her opinions without any fear? And I hope that the hardship of living is not for ever. It will not be easy but I believe that the next generations will have similar living conditions to those in other more developed countries.

As far as your award for the best paper is concerned, your offer of \$3,000 is very generous and I only hope that it will go to the right person. I would be glad to serve as a peer but I believe that it would be more appropriate to leave the selection to the Czech Chemical Society, especially if you give him your experience with other Chemical Societies.

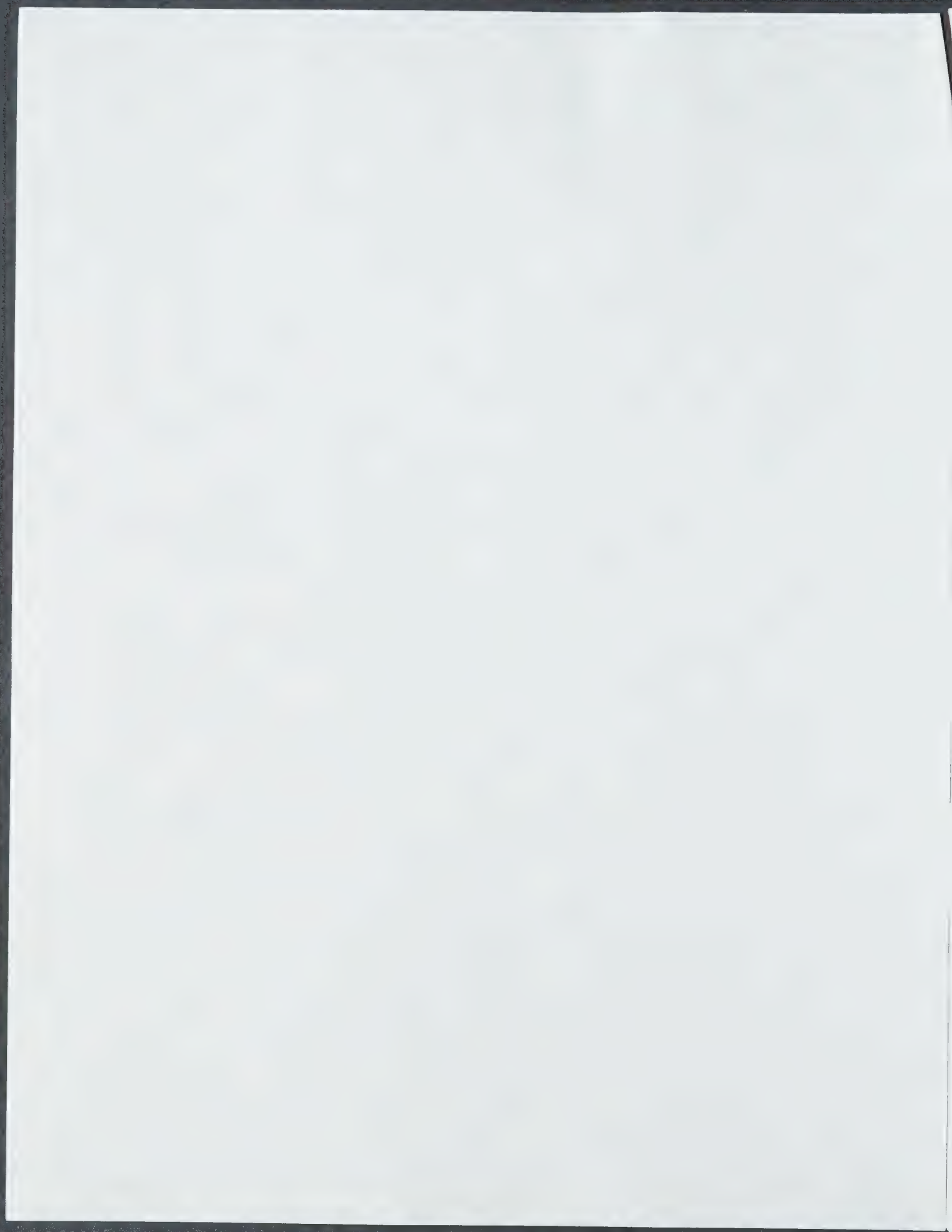
I am really sorry that I will not be in Prague during your visit to meet you and Isabel. I do not know the schedule of your Prague stay but if you have time to spend an evening with my wife and Tom be sure that they would be really happy. So if your schedule allows this, either let me know or call directly in Prague to my wife (tel. # 4010676). She would be obliged to prepare a dinner for you and she is aware that it should be low-fat and low-cholesterol (and of course not pork).

I hope that we will meet in Prague during your next visit. Besides, I would like to ask you and Isabel to sign me the books about your paintings you have given to us.

With nothing further at this time, I remain

sincerely yours,


Stan



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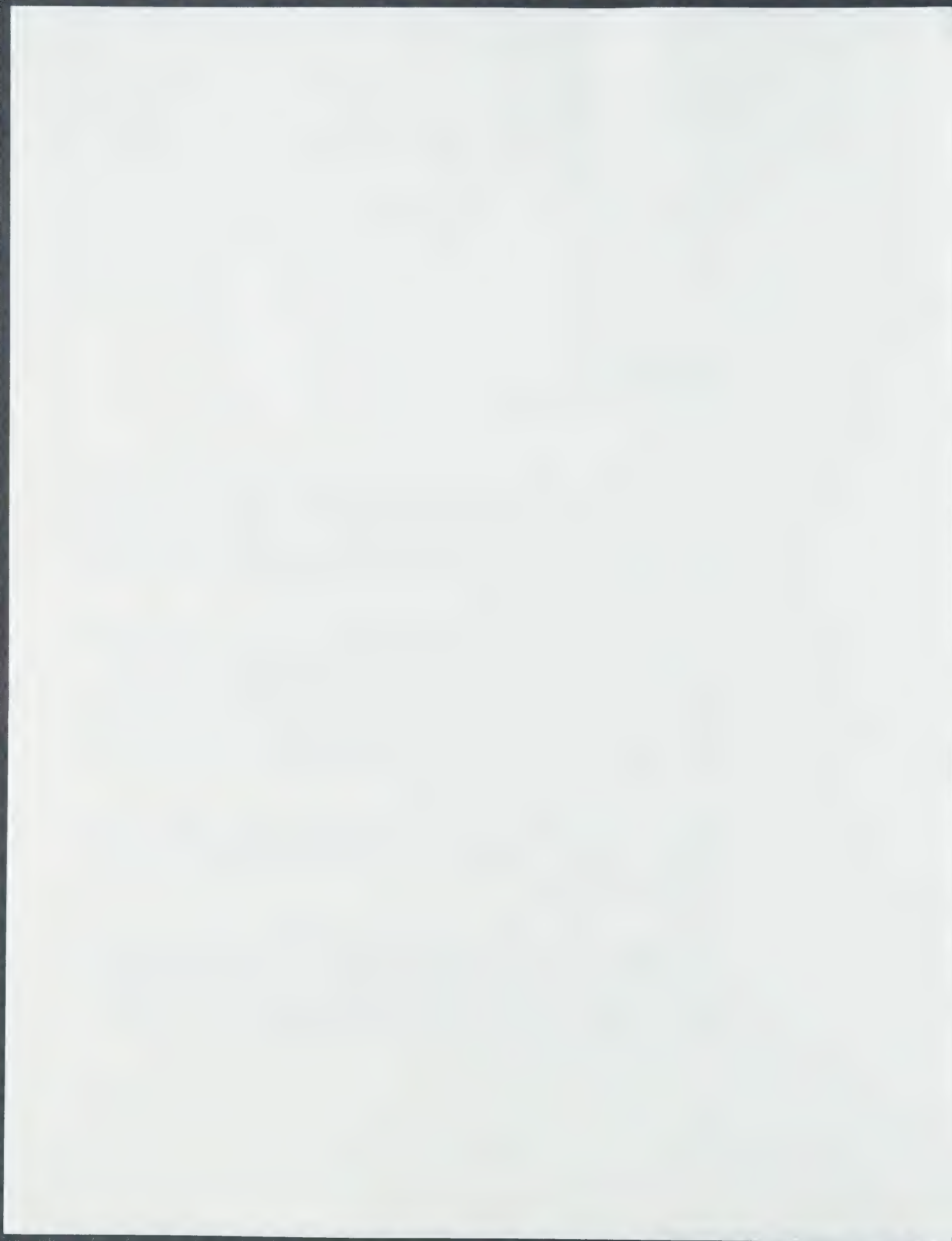
Dear Stan:

I feel very guilty to have worried you by not replying to your letter of February 16th which I appreciated very much indeed. I have been travelling a good deal with many lectures in Florida, Texas, the Carolinas and Georgia, and so I put off writing to you until I had a firm schedule for my trip to Prague. That schedule has only been finalized now; and I know that I will be in the Czech Republic from the 8th to the 16th of June, with a couple of days in the middle in Prague.

Of course I very much enjoyed reading your article, and I want to thank you for your very kind words. One minor and totally unimportant detail is that I have no family, but very good friends in Miroslav. My father's father was born in Kyjov, and my father's mother, in Prague. My father and I were born in Vienna. My mother's family had homes both in Hungary and Moravia, and the family castle in Milotice is now a museum with lots of ugly portraits of ancestors of mine. Why they did not have the good sense to pick good painters in the 17th and 18th centuries I don't know, but it's too late to do anything about it.

I have now established an award for Czech art historians to spend six months abroad studying any baroque art of interest to them. Also, as you will see from the enclosed correspondence with E. J. Corey, I am about to set up a fellowship at Harvard for Czech chemistry students.

Of course, I am very intrigued by your idea of establishing an award for the best organic paper published by a young Czech chemist in any given year. I very much want to discuss this with you in Prague. As this won't be possible, please think about it and then send me your telephone number at home so that I can discuss it with you. What I have in mind is for a committee of three chemists, initially,



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perhaps you, an academic at the Academy in Prague, perhaps Dr. Tichy, and an industrial chemist, perhaps Vladimir Matous, to constitute a committee of three within the Czech Chemical Society to select the best papers for the first few years. But the Czech Chemical Society will have to set up some mechanics of continuing that committee in perpetuity.

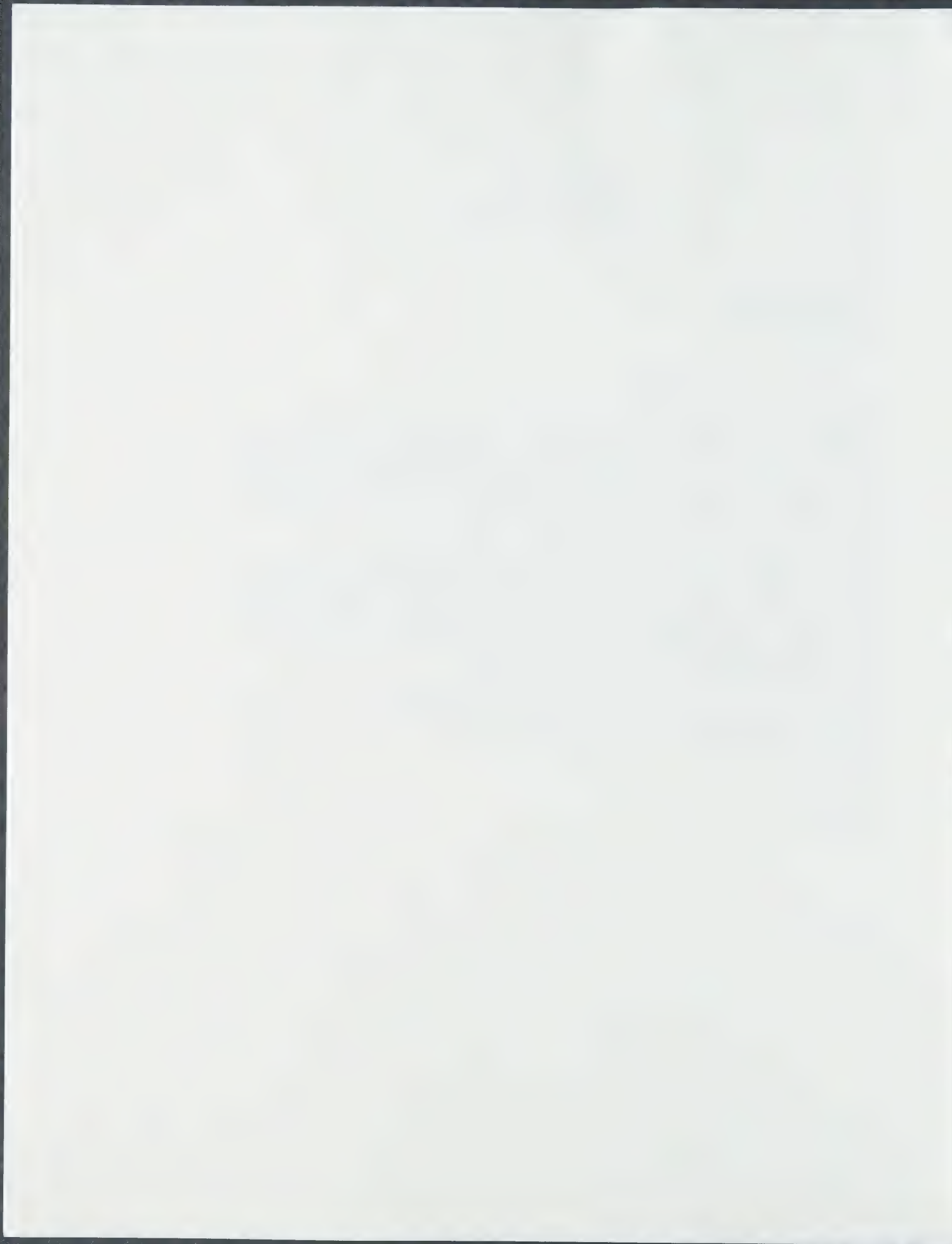
Of course, there is no need to re-invent the wheel: there are such Bader awards with the ACS, the Canadian Chemical Society and the British Royal Society of Chemistry. I have in mind a \$3,000 award annually, with most of it to go to the chemist winning it, and some amount to pay for the administration of the award. Let me discuss all this with you when I talk to you, but please discuss this with the officers of the Czech Chemical Society when you are in Prague, also.

I would be happy to provide the money this year, through the Charter 77 Foundation, and then to have the first award made in 1994.

Fond regards.

As always,

Enclosures



Dr. Alfred Bader
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April 5, 1993

Dear Alfred,

I hope that you have received my letter of February 16 and my word-by-word translation of my article in Chemicke Listy about Bader Fellowships. I hope that the fact that I have not received any reaction from you is caused by your busy schedule. If something in the article offended you or disturbed you in any way, please let me know. I have read the Czech version of the article again and I still believe that there is nothing what should trouble you. Since both languages have different structures and both nations have different cultures, the translation may be inadequate. Nevertheless I assure you that the article was not inadequate for Czech readers.

I suppose that you will be in Prague sometime in May or June and I am sorry that I will not be able to meet you there. My stay here will end at the end of June and I suppose that I will return to Prague in the first half of July. But I suppose that you will come to my country more often, especially if you buy some shares of VUOS.

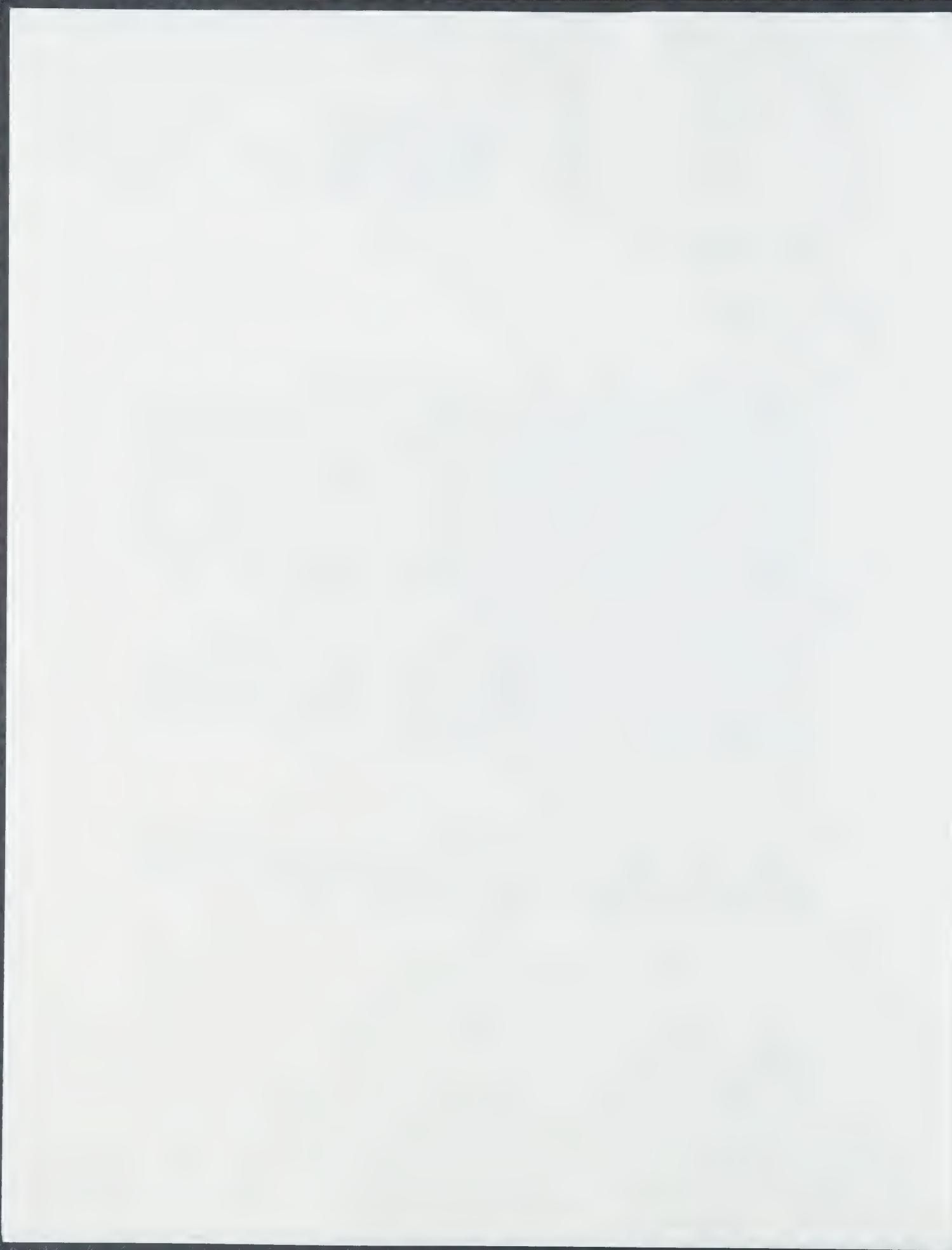
Give my best regards to Isabel.

I insure you once more that I wrote the article with my best intentions and I hope that some part of it cannot jeopardize our good relationship. With nothing further at this time, I remain

Sincerely yours,



Stan Radl



Dr. Alfred Bader
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March 1, 1993

Dr. Stanislav Radl
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Dear Stan:

I am so happy to have your details and informative letter of February 16th.

I was glad to hear that you received the check for the research samples from Bob Wandler; he is a very good man who tries hard to expand the Library.

How very nice to read the translation of your thoughtful article on the Bader Fellowships in Organic Chemistry.

The second student, at Imperial College, is doing well, indeed. I met him in November, he is working with Dr. Willie Motherwell, and they get on very well together. He comes in at 7 in the morning and works until 9 in the evening--a work ethic quite unknown in England. He is also a kind and thoughtful person.

Your Czech article has only one minor and unimportant mistake. My grandfather Bader was born in Kyov. The friends in Miroslav, where I spent many months in the summers, were the family of the woman who was our housekeeper when I was a boy. The last of her brothers is still alive in Miroslav, and we try to visit him every summer.

I would very much like to establish an award for the best paper in Organic/Medicinal Chemistry published every year. Would \$3,000 annually be suitable? Would you and Dr. Tichy and Ing. Matous be willing to serve as a peer review panel within the Czech Chemical Society? However, you and Dr. Tichy might not want to serve because the chances are that some of your papers would qualify. When next you are in Prague, could you please discuss this with the people responsible for such awards within the Czech Chemical Society, and let's finalize on this award during our next

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visit. I am certain that the Charter 77 Foundation would be happy to take the money and pass it on to the Czech Chemical Society. They did so recently in an award for art historians travelling abroad.

Isabel and I plan to be in the Czech Republic around the middle of June. I think highly of VUOS, both for their technical ability and the human qualities of Ing. Matous. If they become privatized and stock becomes available to the public and if foreigners can purchase such stock, I would certainly want to invest in that company. Whether I can or not, I would certainly like to help VUOS in its sales efforts.

Recently, a chemist at the Czech Academy whom you know fairly well, Dr. Pavel Drasar, wrote to me asking to help pay for some text books. I declined, because I would rather help young Czech chemists individually rather than with the hard to judge quality and distribution of books. Let me know what you think about that.

Please share with me other thoughts you might have how we can help young Czechs.

Will you be back in Prague in June? If so, we must certainly spend an evening together, perhaps best with Ing. Matous.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

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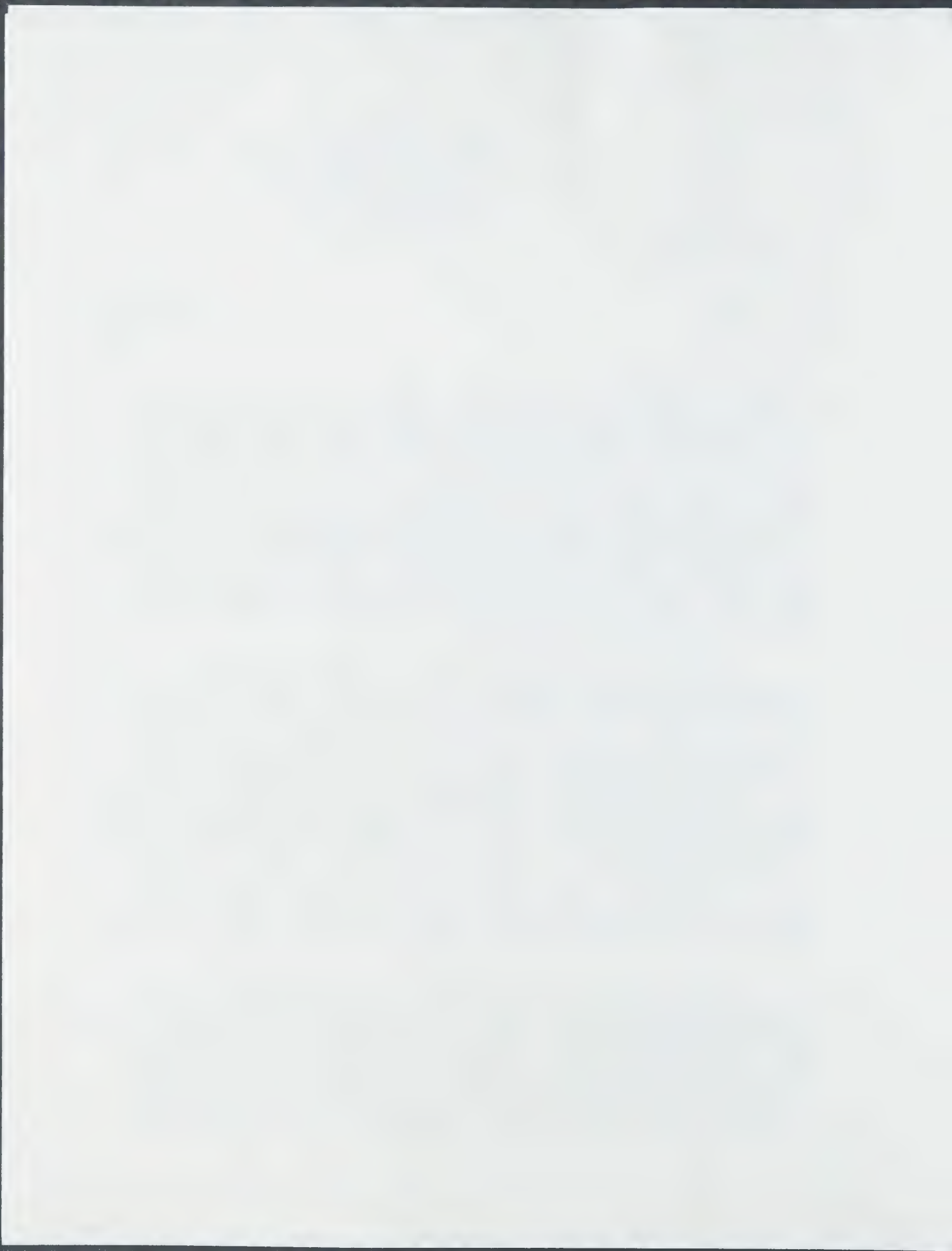
February 16, 1993

Dear Alfred,

Thank you very much for your letter of February 1, and the enclosed newspaper article which I found very interesting. I admire you from the first letter I received from you years ago and this feeling is growing. I really do not know another person able to do such contributions. I hope that this feeling was also apparent from my article in Chemicke Listy. I am sending you nearly word-by-word translation of it, but trouble is that both languages have different structures and both nations have different cultures. Therefore I am not quite sure if this translation is precisely what I tried to express (and what I really wrote). Nevertheless I assure you that the article was not inadequate for Czech readers.

Regarding my suggestions what to do for helping Czech chemistry, they were really only mere feelings and I believe that some more experienced people can give you more useful ones. When I am thinking about this idea, I believe that must be something much more important to do for Czech chemistry which I am not able to reveal. But if you decide to found some type of award for the best article, I would be pleased to serve as a peer and I hope that I would be able to evaluate merit of the articles from the point of view of medicinal chemistry. And of course, Dr. Tichy would be an excellent choice to evaluate organic chemistry features and Dr. Matous could improve the overall evaluation by a specific industrial view.

As you told me earlier, you and Isabel are expected to travel to Czech Republic sometime in this spring. Please let me know in advance about your schedule since my wife and Tom would like to invite you for dinner in Prague. And, of course, if you have something to settle in Prague before your travel, feel free to let me know and we will do our best to assist you. I would also appreciate to know in which stage



is your involvement in VUOS pardubice, of course if it is appropriate to tell me this at this stage.

I have already received the check for amount you have predicted. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

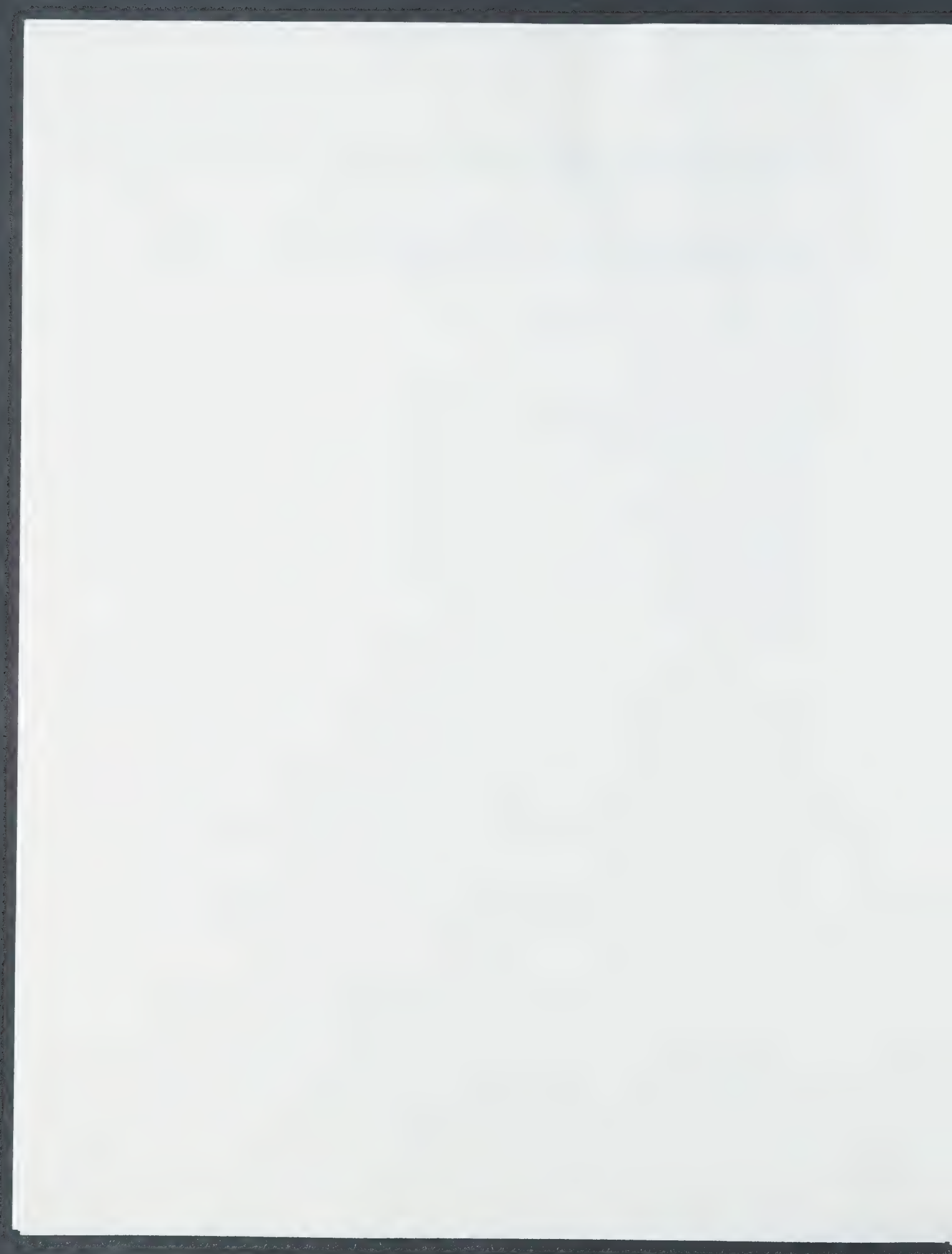
Give my best regards to Isabel.

With nothing further at this time, I remain

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Stan Radl".

Stan Radl



Dr. Alfred Bader
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February 1, 1993

Dr. Stanislav Radl
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Dear Stan:

Thank you so much for your letter of January 11th. Thank you also for sending me separately the 89 samples which arrived safely. I believe that there are 47 samples in quantities of about 2 grams for which you are to receive \$35.00 each; 16 samples of 100 mg at \$10.00 each; and 26 samples of 1 gram at \$25.00 each. Thus, Aldrich will send you \$2,455.00--provided that my calculation and my guesses about weight are correct.

The work in the Library is done by a very good man, Mr. Robert Wandler, and in the future it would be easiest if you send the samples to Bob Wandler who will handle them carefully. You really don't have to worry at all.

Thank you for sending me the article about the Czech fellowships. If only I could understand Czech! Would it be possible for you to give me a rough translation of your article.

Since talking to you, Isabel and I have managed to help my alma mater, Queen's University, to acquire a magnificent castle in England, and I enclose description thereof. Of course, one of our first thoughts was how we might establish some fellowships for Czech students to come from the Czech Republic to Herstmonceux, and on discussing this with the Principal of the University, we found him very receptive to the idea. Hopefully, the purchase of the castle will be finalized, and we can then proceed with the establishment of the fellowships for travel to Herstmonceux.

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The suggestion in the second paragraph of your letter seems like a very good one, but how could one establish a fair panel to select the best Czech articles? Would you be willing to serve on such a panel. Two other chemists which come to mind are Dr. M. Tichy at the Czech Academy in Prague, and a very able industrial chemist, Ing. Vladimir Matous at VUOS in Pardubice. I won't proceed until I have heard your comments.

The suggestion in the third paragraph of your letter--to pay for publications--strikes me as somewhat unwieldy in management.

As I may have told you, we have now also established an award for Czech art historians to spend 6 months abroad at a place of their choice, and undoubtedly we will be able to find other ways to help Czech scholars.

All good wishes.

Sincerely,

c: Mr. Robert Wandler

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January 11, 1993

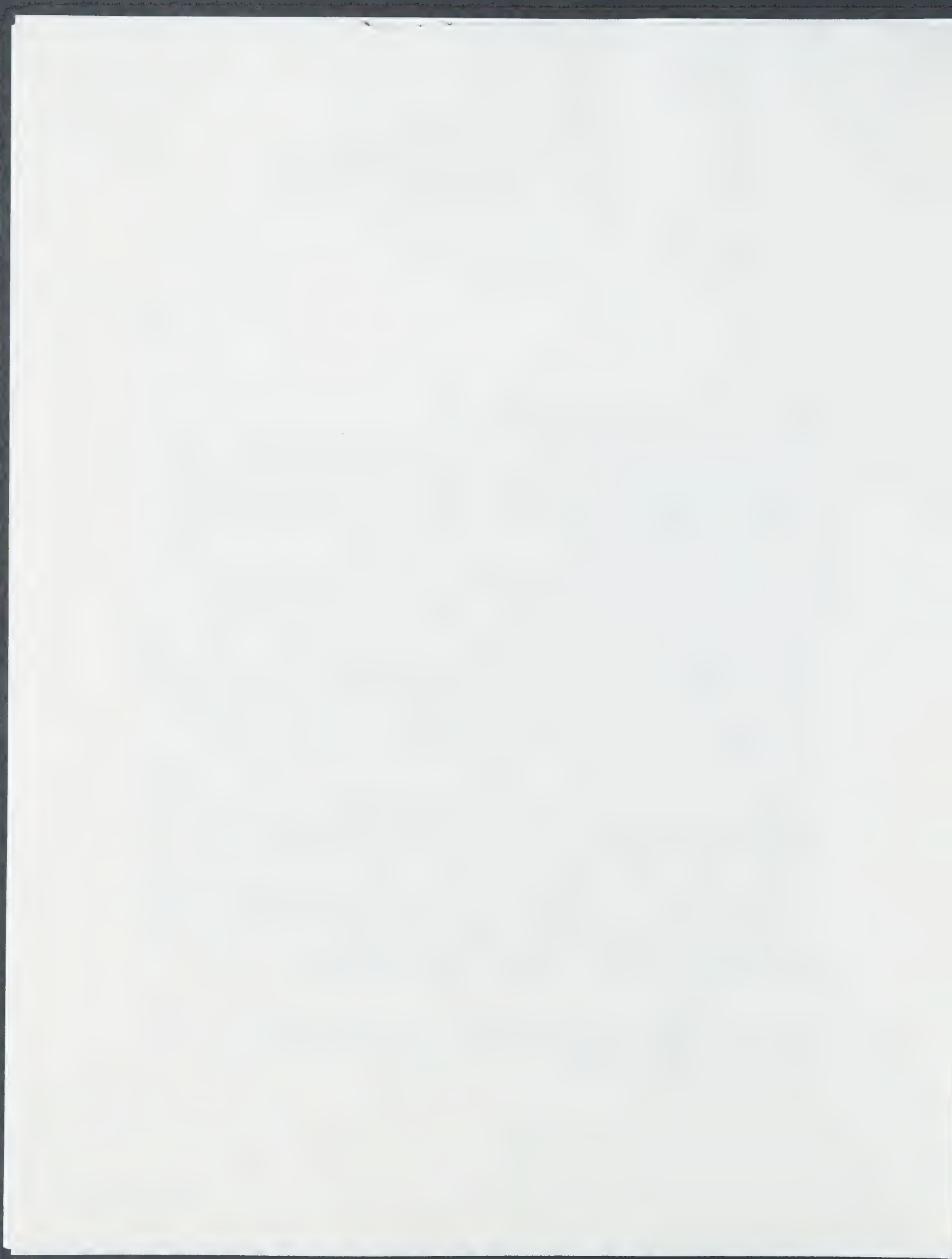
Dear Alfred,

Thank you very much for your last letter and the first part of your autobiography which was enclosed.

I have just returned from Prague and I enjoyed the stay very much. I met with many friends and I also tried to find out some suggestions concerning possible ways to help Czech chemists. Unfortunately the present situation of research (not only in chemistry) is really difficult and it is caused by the overall economic situation of the country. Nevertheless, I believe that some incentives for Czech chemists to return to their homeland after receiving experience abroad can be useful. Maybe it could be done in the form of a prize for the best article published by Czech chemists (both in Czech journals and abroad) in some period of time. The Editorial Board of Collections of the Czechoslovak Chemical Communications founded similar prize, but their prize is for the best article published in their Journal by Czech chemists working both in Czech Republic and abroad.

Another problem for Czech chemists is the fact that many foreign journals require some payments for publications. In the present situation these fees are out of reach of most Czech chemists. Even for persons having some foreign currency it is not simple to pay these fees in the situation when their personal income is much lower than average salary in the country. Therefore refunding these expenses (or their part) after publication from some source (maybe from some special foundation) can encourage people for submitting articles also to these Journals, which are often of high readership.

Of course consider these ideas only as my personal ones and I really have no intention to persuade you to give your money in a project you do not consider useful.



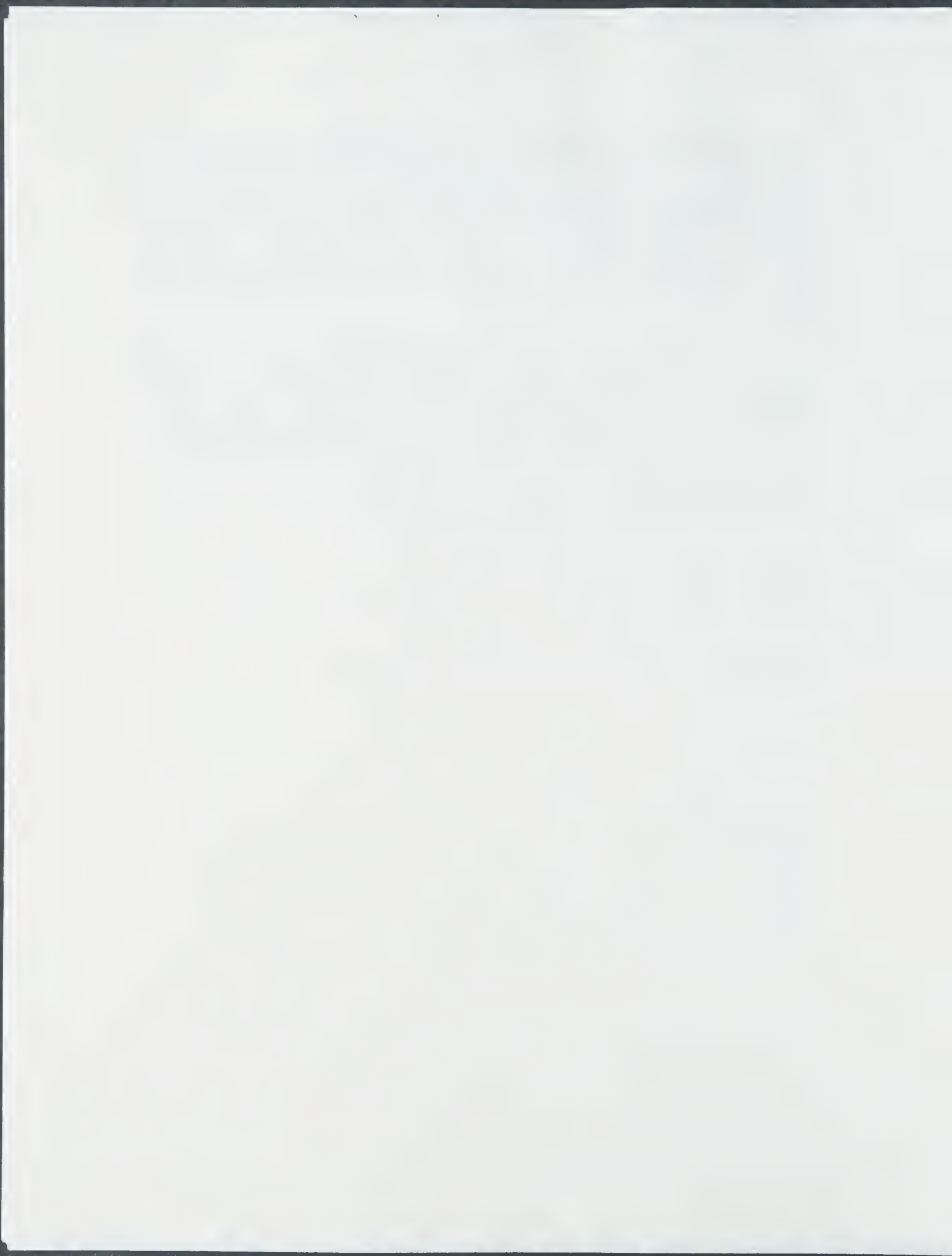
I am also sending you a copy of my article on Bader Fellowships for Czechoslovak chemists which was published in Chemické Listy. In the first paragraph I gave some information about your fellowships. Second paragraph mentioned your well known passion for Old Masters and your support to your Alma Mater. Then I tried to explain your relationships to Czechoslovakia and especially your truly warm attitude to our country and your genuine interest in its future.

I also brought some pyrimidines for your collection of rare chemicals which I will send you under separate cover. I still have some samples (and I probably will be able to get more from several persons after my return) but I had not time enough to prepare them. If the samples are accepted, send me the payment for my name to my NJ home address.

Give my best regards to Isabel.

Sincerely yours,

Stan Radl



OZNÁMENÍ

SOUTĚŽ ČS. SPOLEČNOSTI CHEMICKÉ PŘI
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Soutěž byla obelána patnácti pracemi z jedenácti pracovišť. Hodnotitelská komise posuzovala vědeckou úroveň prací, způsob prezentace a interpretace výsledků i autorův podíl na vědeckém přínosu. Na doporučení komise udělil hlavní výbor Čs. společnosti chemické na schůzi dne 10.12.1991 čestné uznání za tvůrčí studentskou práci těmto soutěžícím:

Radka Jílková, katedra obecné a anorganické chemie VŠCHT v Pardubicích: "Opticky indukovaná difúze Ag do tenkých vrstev amorfních chalkogenidů As-Se, Ge-Se"

Petr Matucha, katedra analytické chemie přírodovědecké fakulty Univerzity Karlovy v Praze: "Modifikované cyklodextriny jako stacionární fáze v kapilární plynové chromatografii"

Jiří Pittner, katedra fyzikální chemie přírodovědecké fakulty Univerzity Karlovy v Praze: "Kvantově chemická interpretace absorpčních spekter klastrů Na₅ a Na₆"

Jitka Řezníčková, katedra plynárenství, koksochemie a ochrany ovzduší fakulty technologie ochrany prostředí VŠCHT v Praze: "Možnosti výroby aktivního uhlí z dřevěného odpadu"

Petra Tobolová, katedra chemie a technologie sacharidů fakulty potravinářské a biochemické technologie VŠCHT v Praze: "Sledování vybraných organických kyselin v prefermentech".

Termín pro návrhy k udělení čestných uznání za rok 1992 je 30.9.1992 (fakulty, popř. katedry vysokých škol zasílají návrhy sekretariátu Společnosti).

Miroslav Černý

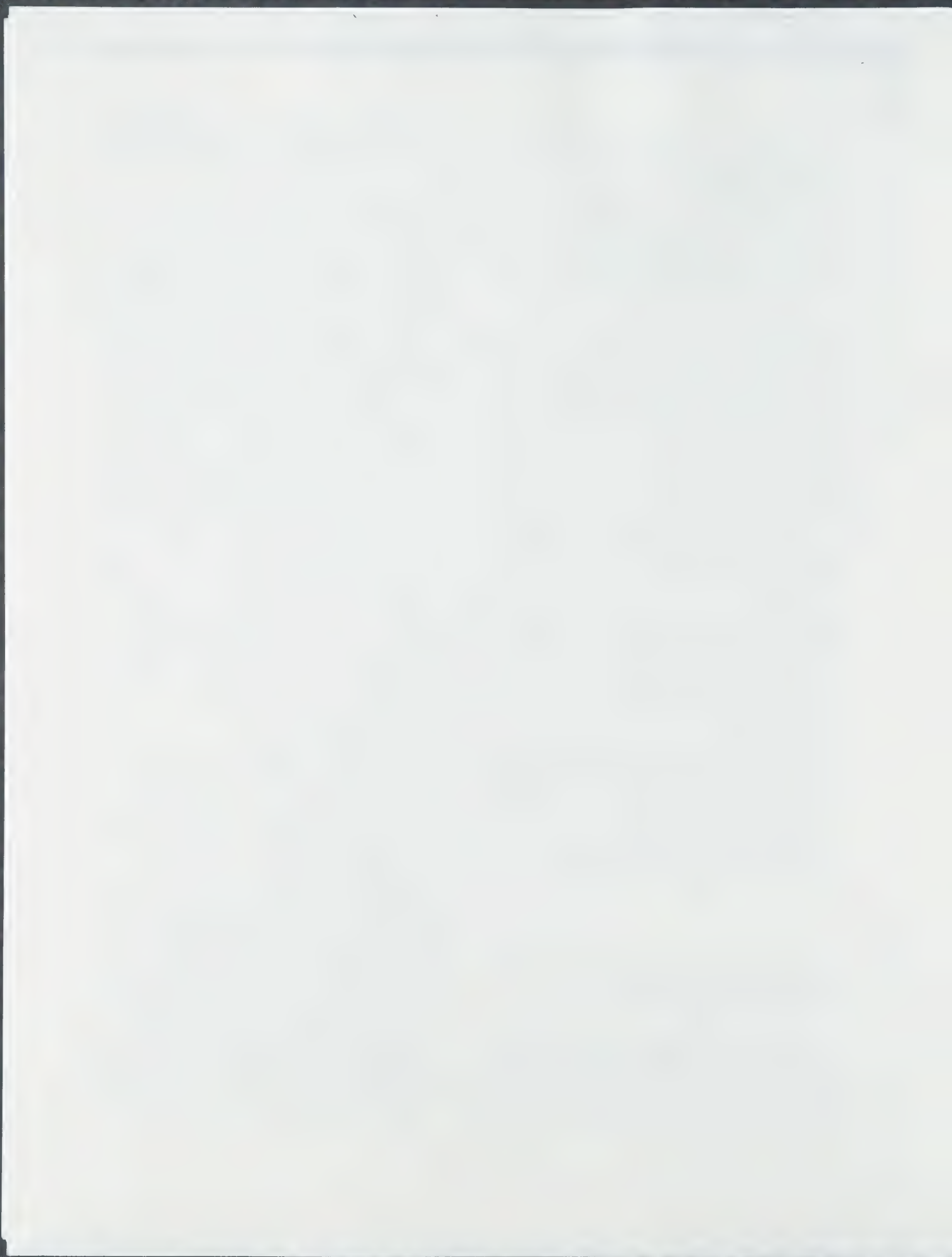
BADEROVA STIPENDIA PRO ČESKOSLOVENSKÉ
STUDENTY ORGANICKÉ CHEMIE

Zakladatel a dlouholetý předseda firmy Aldrich dr. Alfréd Bader se v roce 1990 rozhodl založit na dvou významných světových univerzitách Baderova stipendia určená výlučně československým absolventům vysokých škol v oboru organické chemie, a tak jim umožnit získání

titulu Ph.D. V září 1991 nastoupil jako první Baderův stipendista na Columbia University v New Yorku absolvent Masarykovy univerzity v Brně Miroslav Řezáč. O rok později by měl nastoupit Baderův stipendista také na Imperial College v Londýně. Cílem tohoto článku není přinést podrobnosti pro případné zájemce, které jsou dostupné na všech v úvahu přicházejících školách, ale osvětlit, proč se zájem dr. Badera soustředil právě na naše absolventy.

Dr. Bader je všeobecně známý svou vášní pro obrazy starých mistrů, zvláště pro vlámské a holandské mistry 17. století, s jejichž reprodukcemi se pravidelně setkáváme na obalech všech publikací vydávaných firmou Aldrich. Jeho cílem však není do těchto obrazů ukládat prostředky, zabývá se historií těchto obrazů, objevováním nových fakt o jejich tvůrčích, srovnáváním obrazů ze své sbírky s jinými obrazy se stejným tématem, atd. V této oblasti je jeho snem, aby na jeho "alma mater", již je Queen's University v Kingstonu, bylo zřízeno studium historie umění na úrovni Ph.D. Aby pro to vytvořil předpoklady, věnoval dr. Bader během posledních 20 let této univerzitě kolem 100 obrazů starých mistrů, čímž se umělecké centrum této univerzity stalo majitelem nejucelenější sbírky obrazů tohoto období v Kanadě¹. Tento příklad uvádím úmyslně jako důkaz cílevědomosti tohoto člověka, který se rozhodl pomoci zvýšit úroveň chemie u nás.

Když jsem se před lety obrátil na dr. Badera ve snaze dostávat pravidelně Aldrichimica Acta, byl jsem překvapen jeho srdečným dopisem a žádostí o sdělení některých faktů o Československu. Během vzájemného dopisování jsem si postupně vytvářel obraz tohoto vitálního člověka, který se postupně stal úspěšným obchodníkem, aniž přestal být organickým chemikem a velmi citlivým člověkem. A z jeho dopisů, občasných osobních setkání v zahraničí, a v posledních dvou letech i v Praze, jasně vyzářoval vztah k Československu a láska k Praze. Počátek tohoto vztahu sahá až do jeho dětství, kdy často trávil prázdniny u svého dědečka v Miroslavi na jižní Moravě. S úsměvem vzpomíná, že právě tam dělal první obchody, když objížděl sousední vesnice a vykupoval králičí kožky. A jako pravidelný vrchol prázdnin pak navštěvoval "das goldene Prag", odkud pocházela jeho babička. Dodnes se dr. Bader obdivuje předválečnému Československu, jedinému demokratickému státu ve střední Evropě. Jako Žid zvláště oceňoval, že řada příslušníků tohoto národa našla v Československu



přechodné útočiště při svém útěku před Hitlerem. Po válce ho vývoj v Československu zklamal, a až události v roce 1968 v něm vzbudily naději na lepší vývoj. Když krátce po srpnové invazi navštívil Prahu, neubráníl se tomu, aby vyjádřil své zklamání v článku v *Aldrichimica Acta*², jejichž obal zcela netradičně nezdobil žádný obraz starých mistrů, ale obraz Svatovítské katedrály.

Přestože v následujících letech se návštěvám u nás vyhýbal, svůj vztah vyjadřoval jinými způsoby. Oblíbeným námětem jeho přednášek po celém světě se stal "zapomenutý genius" Josef Loschmidt, chemik českého původu, který kromě jiných věcí objevil před Kekulem vzorec benzenu^{3,4}. Podle dr. Badera pak Kekule o Loschmidtově publikaci musel vědět a vědomě si tento objev přisvojit. Pro dr. Badera je typické, že přednášku na toto téma hodlal přednést i na konferenci pořádané ke Kekuleho výročí, což mu nebylo umožněno.

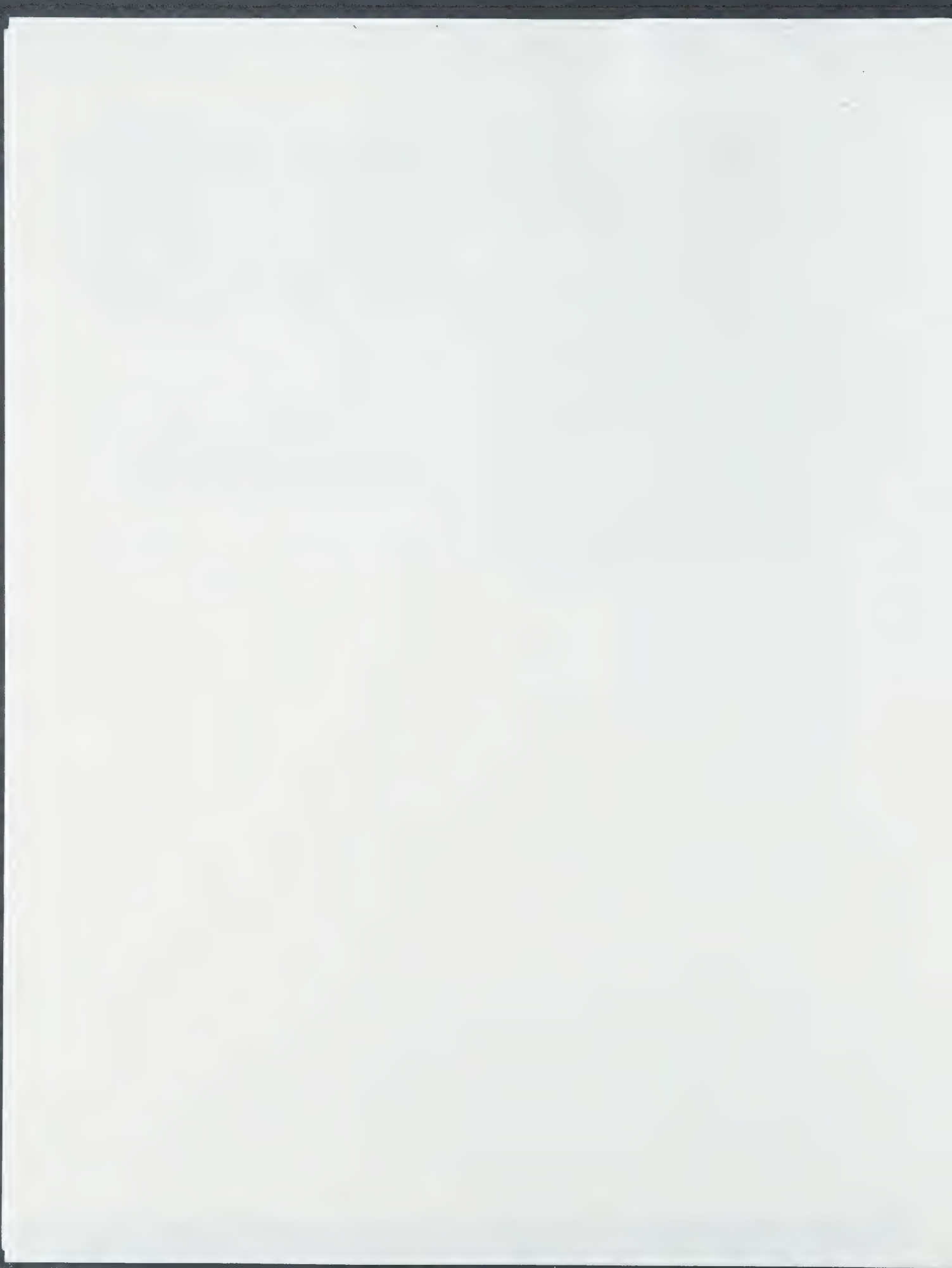
Se všeobecnými změnami ve východoevropských zemích vzrostl i zájem dr. Badera o Československo. Byl jsem doslova bombardován různými články týkajícími se vývoje u nás, na něž chtěl dr. Bader názor člověka "z druhé strany". Po listopadu 1989 pak dr. Bader Československo

několikrát navštívil, přednesl tu několik přednášek a uskutečnil řadu obchodních i osobních setkání. Podle jeho názoru je úroveň chemie v Československu vysoká, chybí zde však osobnosti skutečně světové úrovně. Na základě této úvahy se pak rozhodl zřídit již zmíněná Baderova stipendia a doufá, že některý ze stipendistů by se takovou osobností mohl stát. Nezbyvá než doufat, že náš další vnitrostátní vývoj neodradí tohoto příznivce v dalším snažení ve prospěch úrovně Československé organické chemie.

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Stanislav Rádł

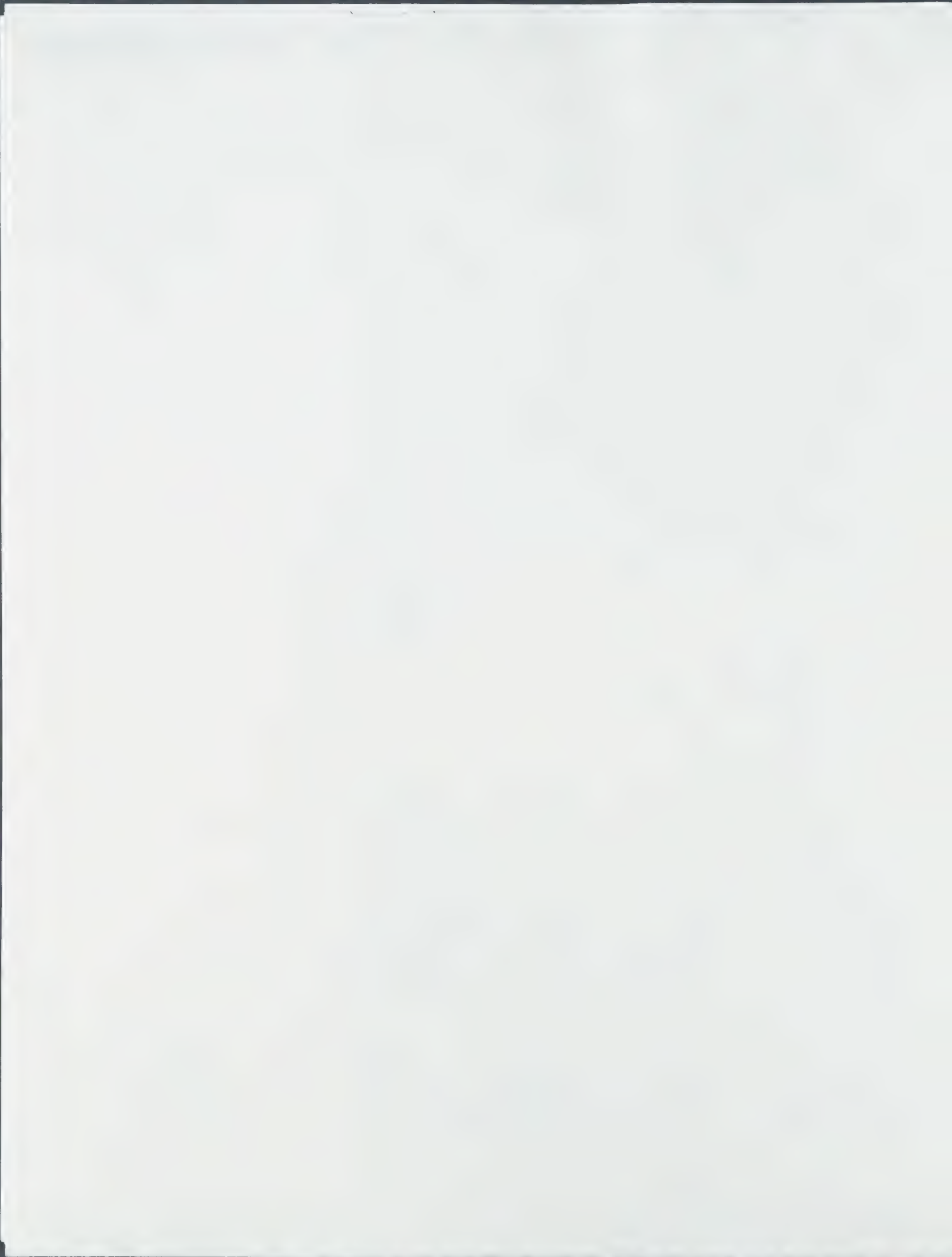


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DR. ALFRED BADER
2961 NORTH SHEPARD AVENUE
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Dr. Alfred Bader
2961 North Shepard Avenue
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53211

December 30, 1992

Dr. Stanislav Radl
Hoffmann La-Roche, Inc.
340 Kingsland Street
Nutley, New Jersey 07110

Dear Stan:

I am sorry that a long trip to England from which I have just returned has delayed my thanking you for your kind letter of November 11.

I look forward to receiving a reprint about the Bader Fellowships for Czech students. The first student at Columbia is doing very well, indeed, as is the second student from a village near Pardubice, now working with Willie Motherwell at Imperial College.

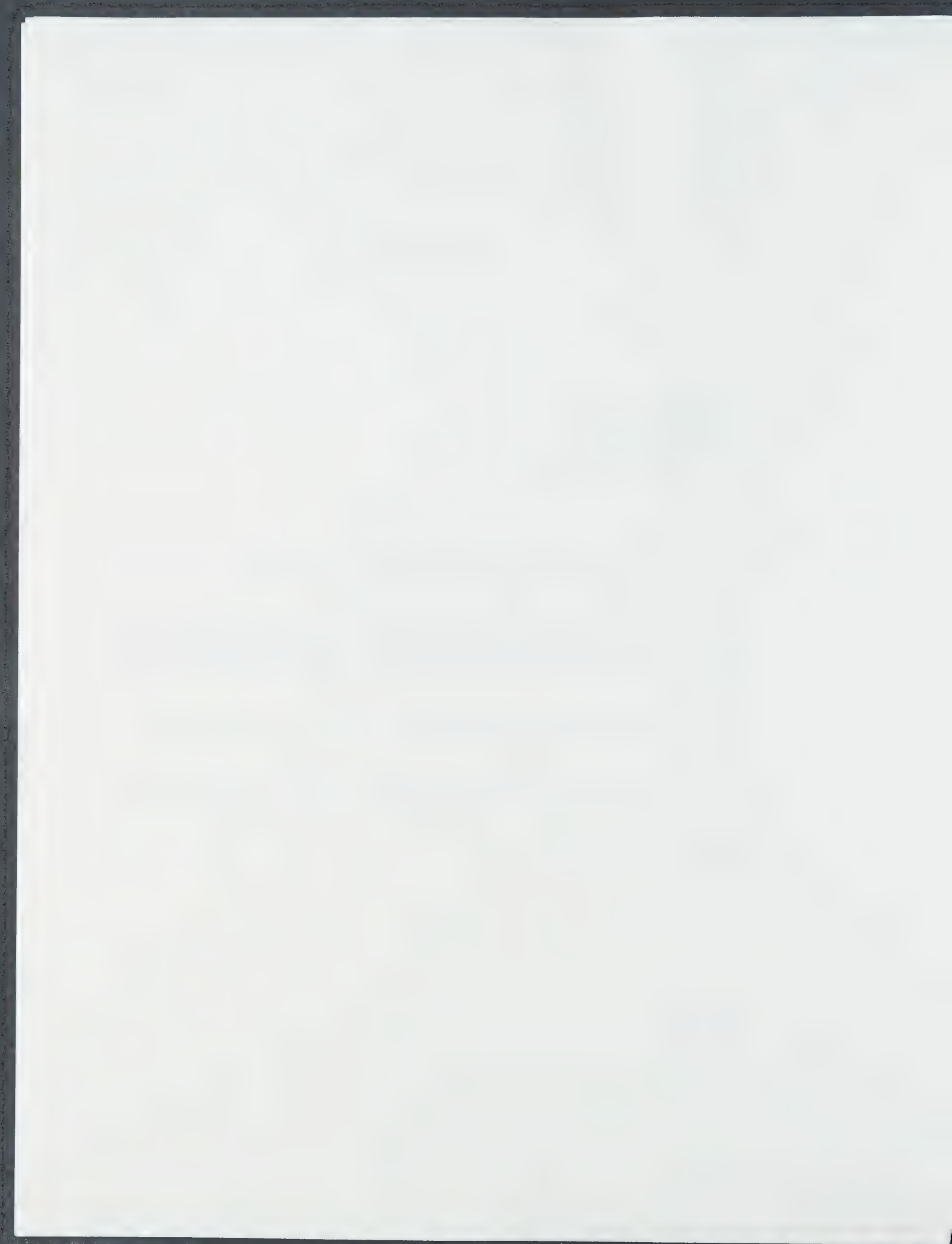
Do let me know whenever you can think of other ways we might help Czech chemists.

A copy of the chapter from my autobiography dealing with the beginnings of Aldrich is enclosed.

Best regards for 1993.

Sincerely,

Enclosure





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November 23, 1992

Dr. Alfred Bader
2961 North Shepard Ave.
Milwaukee, WI 53211

Dear Alfred:

Once again, I would like to thank you for your presentation to our Sigma Xi Chapter last month. Your lecture was among the most interesting presentations that our Chapter has had and I want to acknowledge your fine delivery and timing.

I am enclosing a check to cover the travel expenses that you incurred as outlined in your letter of October 19, 1992. Unfortunately, our Chapter is unable to cover Isabel's expenses.

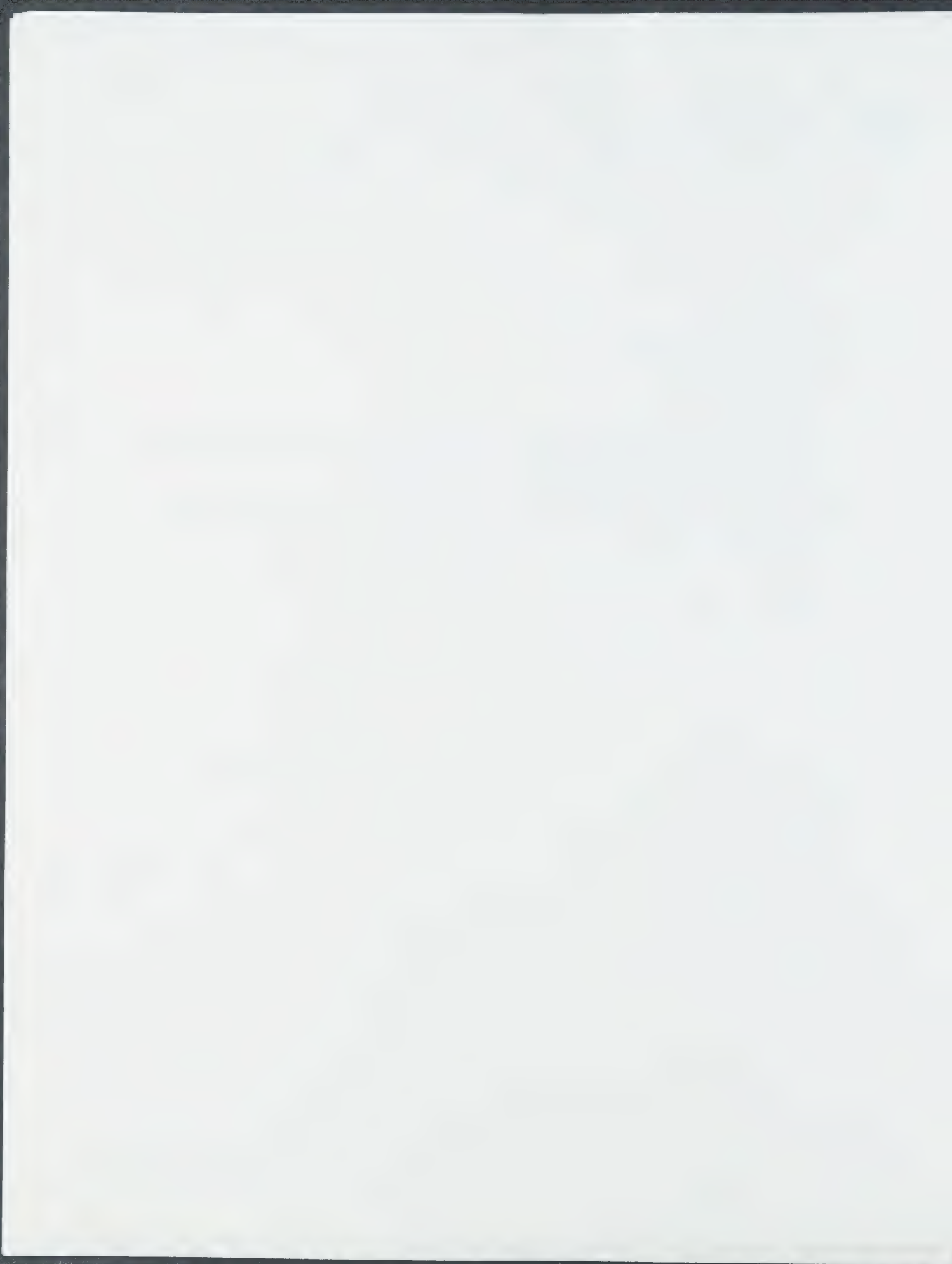
Please accept my warmest appreciation for a most memorable evening. Kindest regards to Isabel.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Art", written over a light-colored background.

Arthur M. Felix
Dept. Head
Peptide Research Dept.

AMF:bw
Encl.



Dr. Alfred Bader
2961 N. Shepard Avenue
Milwaukee, WI 53211

November 11, 1992

Dear Alfred,

Thank you very much for your letter of October 19. I must say that I quite enjoyed your lecture, as all the audience did. I also had a nice time reading the book you gave me for my wife. It was a great and very enjoyable reading. I only regretted that I was not able to follow your instructions like "Look carefully at the paint surface...", or "Notice the inscription in the upper left hand corner. ", and so on. But as a guide for the exhibition it was prepared very well and I must say that such publications could do very much for the popularization of fine arts.

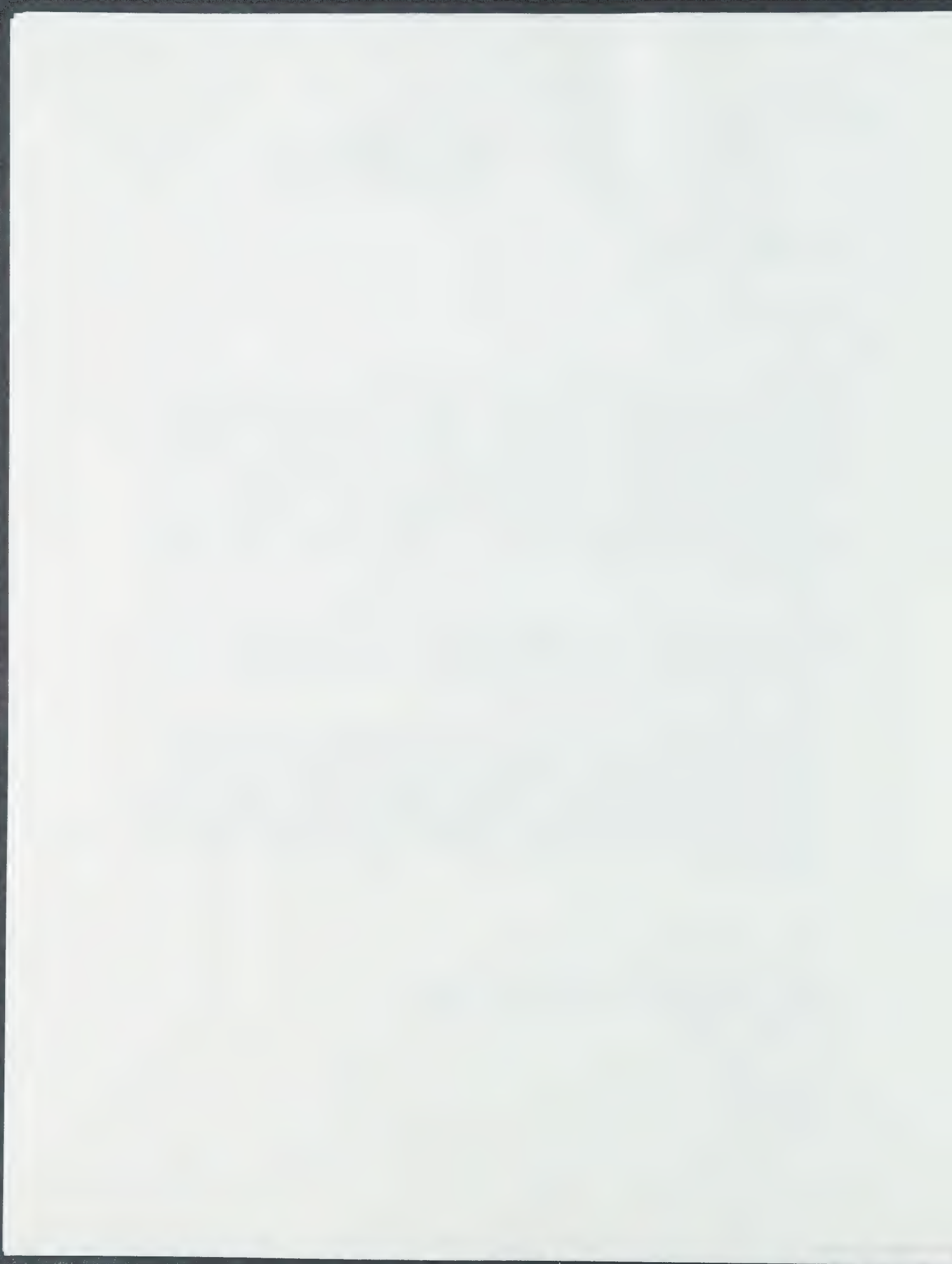
Excuse my delay but I waited for receiving the first part of your autobiography. You wrote in the letter that it was enclosed but it was not and therefore I expected to receive it later under separate copy. Please when you have time, send it to me.

Concerning my suggestions how you can help Czech chemists I would like to discuss this matter confidentially with some of my chemical friends in Prague during my visit in December. I would like to send you a reprint of my article on Bader Fellowships for Czechoslovak chemists which was published in *Chemické Listy*. My friend from our Institute sent me it some time ago but unfortunately I have not received it.

Give our best regards to Isabel.

With nothing further at this time I remain,
sincerely yours,


Stan Radl





Sigma Xi, The Scientific Research Society

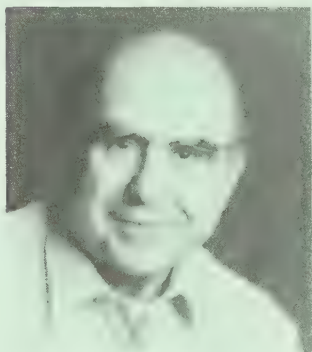
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OCTOBER 1992 PROGRAM

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"ADVENTURES OF A CHEMIST COLLECTOR"

BY

Dr. Alfred Bader

Wednesday, October 14, 1992

Dinner:	6:00 p.m. - Reservations Required
Lecture:	7:00 p.m. - RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED
Dinner Price:	\$ 8.00 - HLR Sigma Xi Members & Family
	\$10:00 - Non-members & Guests

Dr. Bader, founder of Aldrich Chemical Co., which originated as a part-time operation out of a garage, is a well recognized art historian and collector of old master paintings. He is well known for his research and restoration of paintings of 17th Century Dutch Masters. Dr. Bader is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts and was appointed as Guest Curator at the Milwaukee Art Center. Dr. Bader's presentation will include his insights into the recognition of the artistic merit, authenticity and value of old master paintings. He will also describe how decisions are made on restoration and will illustrate the presentation with specific examples. Dr. Bader has issued an open invitation to participants to bring any antique paintings for evaluation and advice on their restoration.

DINNER RESERVATION FORM

A special menu will be provided by the Cafeteria.

Please make () reservation(s) for the Sigma Xi DINNER
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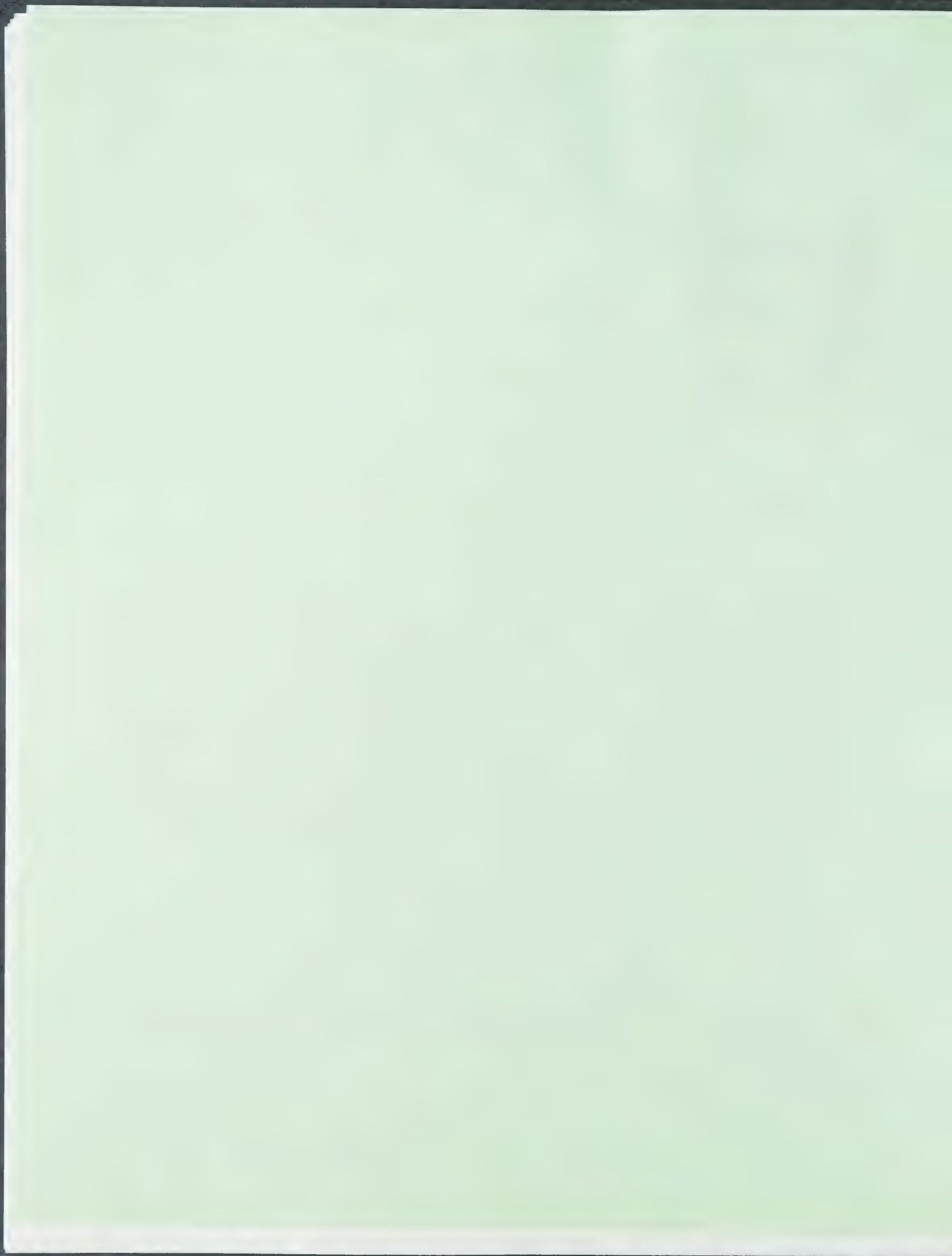
on Wednesday, October 14, 1992. Make checks payable to Hoffmann-La Roche Inc.
 Send reservation form to Sandy DiGiacomo, Bldg. 76, no later than Thursday,
October 8, 1992.

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Bldg. No. Floor Ext.



Dr. Alfred Bader
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October 19, 1992

Dr. Stanislav Radl
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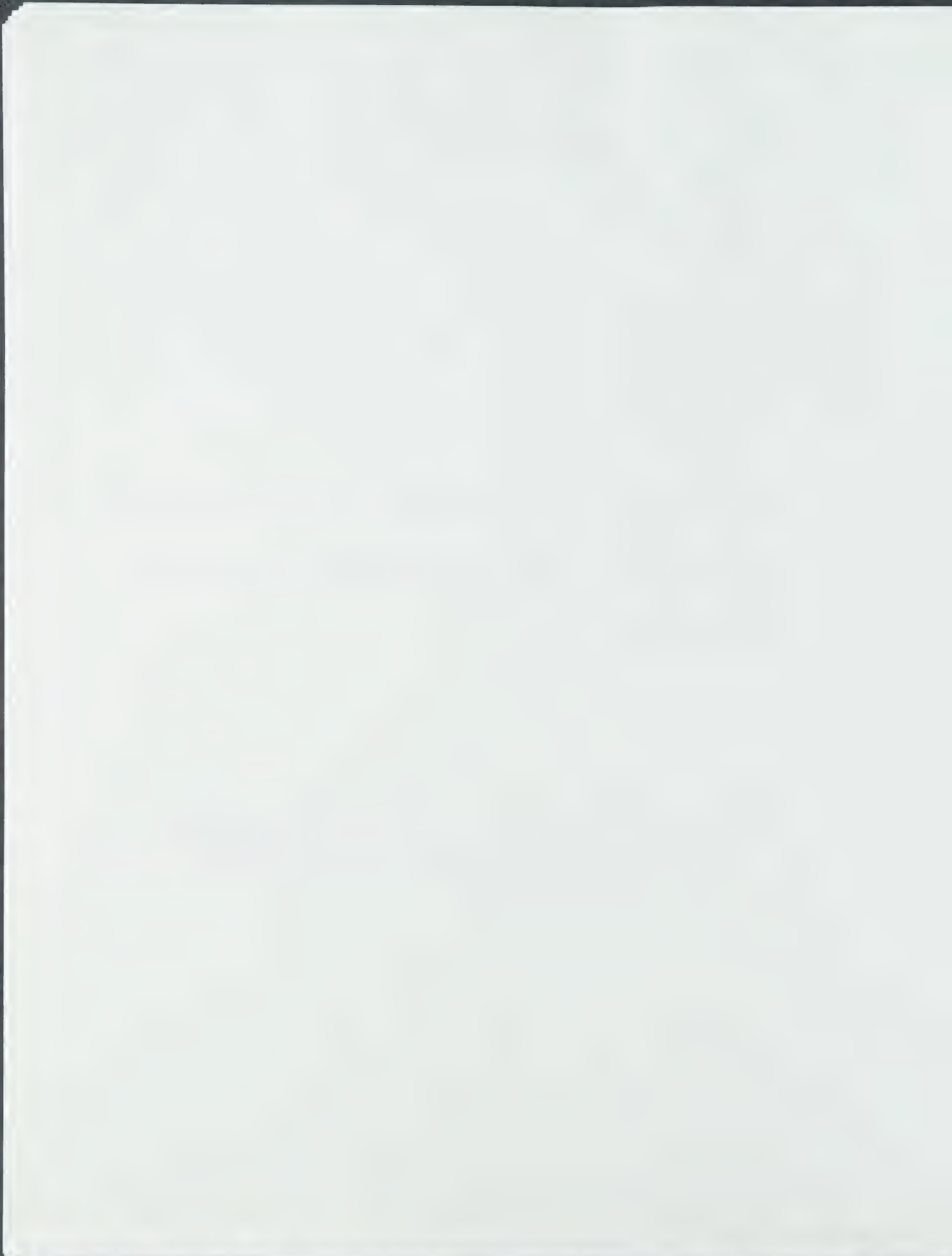
Dear Stan:

We so enjoyed being with you last Wednesday and want to thank you for all the time which you spent with us.

As promised, please find enclosed a copy of the chapter from my autobiography dealing with the beginnings of Aldrich.

Best personal regards,

P.S. Of course what used to be called the Alfred Bader
Enclosure Library of Rare Chemicals, now the Sigma-Aldrich
Library will be most interested in purchasing the
collection of heterocyclics from the widow of your
friend in Prague.



Dr. Alfred Bader
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October 2, 1992

Dr. Stanislav Radl
Hoffmann-La Roche
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Dear Stan:

I am so happy to know that we will have a chance to chat, and Isabel and I would be happy if you could pick us up at Newark airport at your convenience on Wednesday afternoon, October 14th. Dr. Felix will want to chat with us before the talk at 4:00 p.m., and I don't quite know how long it takes from Nutley to the airport, but probably not very long. Actually, we will be staying in Manhattan Tuesday night, but driving into Manhattan is horrible.

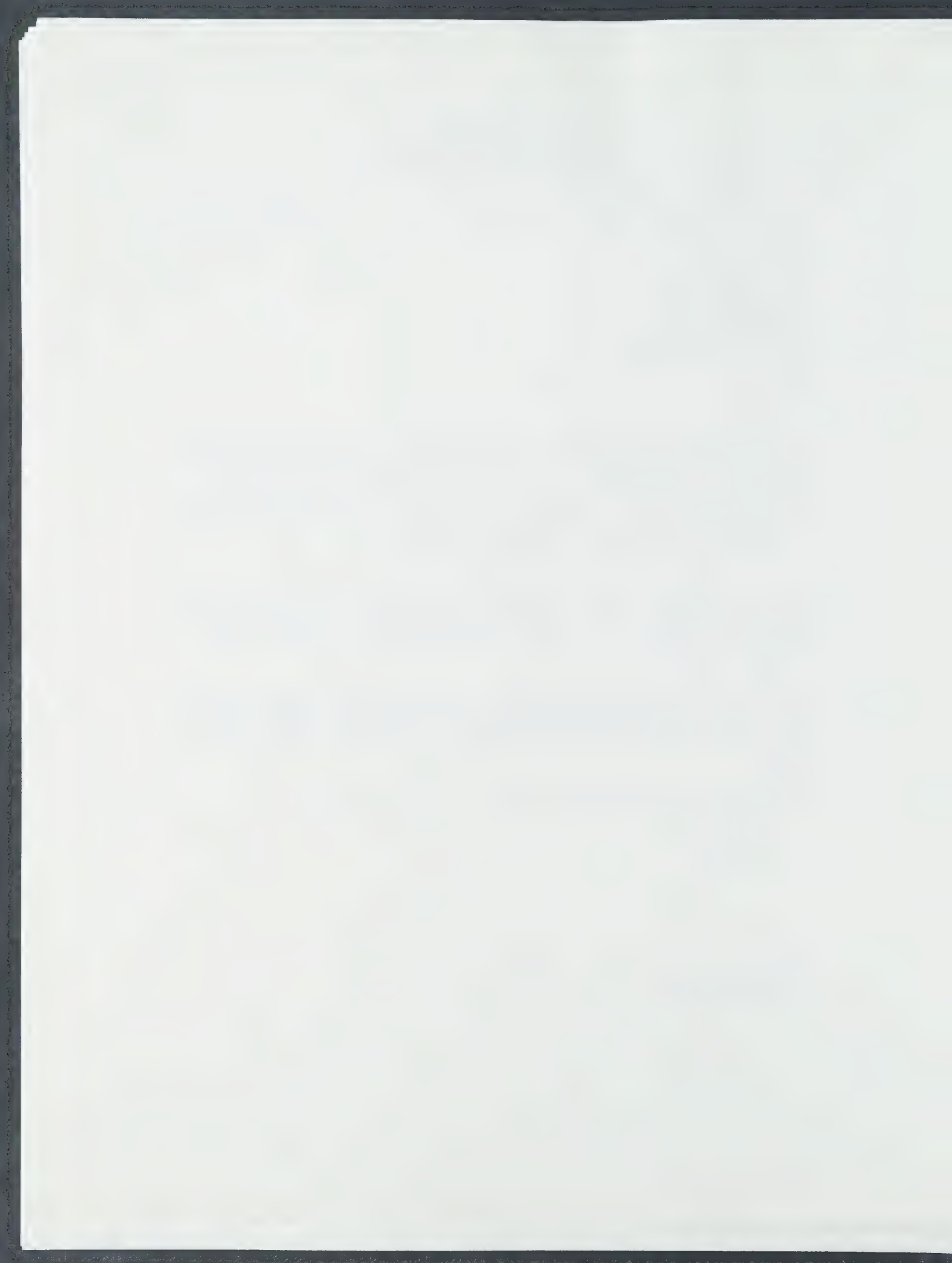
On the other hand, it is easy to get from Manhattan to the Newark airport, and I would suggest that we meet at a spot at the airport convenient to you at a definite time. We will then make sure that we are at Newark airport half an hour or so before you arrive.

We had a wonderful week in Czechoslovakia, and I am trying to help both chemists and art historians. The first Bader fellow from Brno is now beginning his second year at Columbia University, and the first at Imperial College in London just arrived there.

Our help to Czechoslovak art historians is described on the enclosed.

Fond regards,

Enclosure
c: Mr. Barry Young



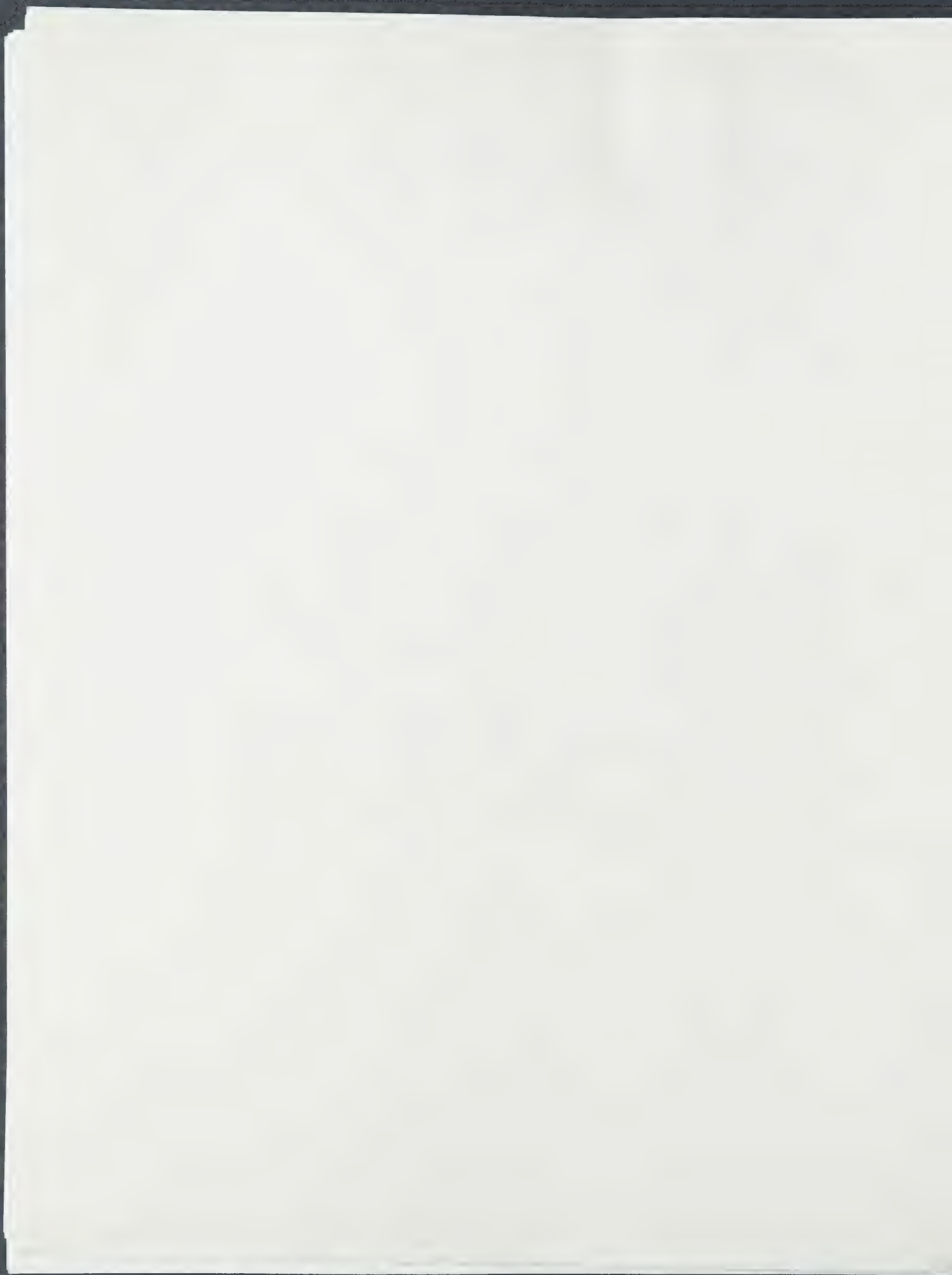
THE HISTORY OF THE UNITED STATES

The history of the United States is a story of growth and change. It begins with the first settlers who came to the shores of North America. These early explorers and settlers found a land of vast natural resources and a people with a rich and diverse culture. Over the years, the United States has grown from a small collection of colonies to a powerful nation that has shaped the world.

The American Revolution was a turning point in the nation's history. It was a struggle for independence from British rule, fought for the principles of liberty and self-governance. The Constitution was drafted to provide a framework for the new nation, and the Bill of Rights was added to protect the freedoms of the people.

The Civil War was a period of great conflict and sacrifice. It was a struggle over the issue of slavery, which had long been a part of the American way of life. The war ended slavery and paved the way for a more unified and democratic nation.

The United States has continued to grow and change, facing new challenges and opportunities. It has become a global superpower, with a strong economy and a rich cultural heritage. The history of the United States is a story of resilience and progress, and it continues to shape the future of the world.



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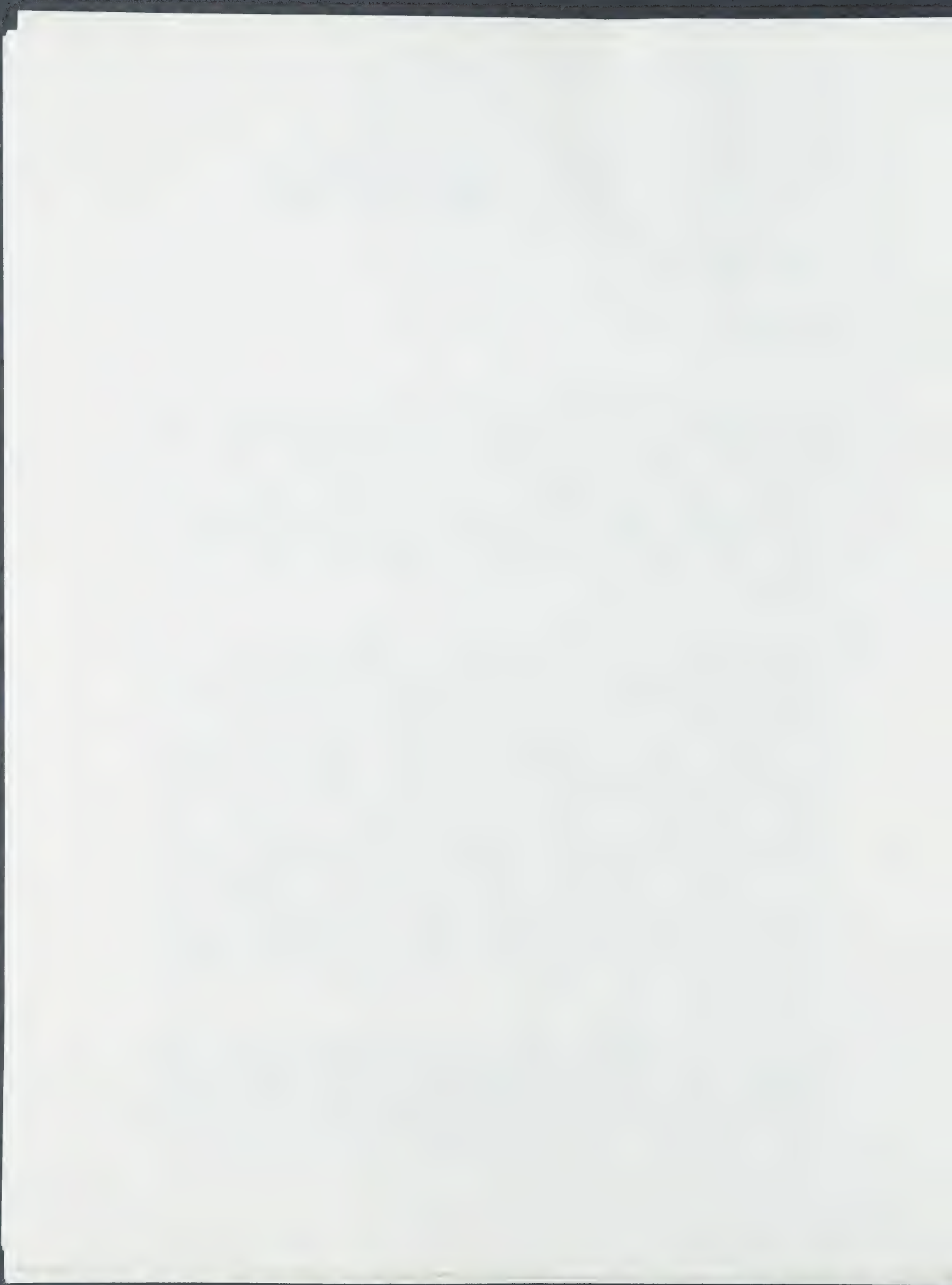
August 18, 1992

Dear Alfred,

Thank you very much for your call and you and Isabel for your nice letter of July 21. I am very glad to hear that you have spent some part of your European journey again in Czechoslovakia and I hope that you enjoyed it in spite of the tension you observed there. I am sure that your latest experience from my country could be for me very interesting. Therefore the possibility to visit you in Milwaukee was a great temptation for me. But during last several weeks we started to travel by car and I have realized how far from Nutley Milwaukee is.

I was really very disappointed when I found that it is nearly impossible to get there during my vacations and therefore we decided not to go there. I am looking forward to meet you in Nutley in October and although I am sure that you will be very busy at Hoffmann-La Roche, I still hope that you will spare some time for me. I believe that our decision not to go to Milwaukee was the greatest disappointment for Tom since he enjoyed your visit in Prague very much (especially his discussion with Isabel). But I am sure that you will visit us in Prague more often in following years. Situation in Czechoslovakia is changing in unpredictable way now, but I hope that this change will be a peaceful one. Since the main streams in Czech and Slovak politics seem to be incompatible, I will probably return to a different state than I left. Of course the split would have also a negative economic impact but I am sure that even an independent Czech republic can be changed into a prosperous country.

As far as my experiences from my stay is concerned, most of them are positive and interesting but some are also at least mixed (e.g. TV programs, some parts of NY City or Philadelphia). I really appreciate the possibility to work at Hoffmann-La Roche but I must say that before I came here I had supposed greater differences between the



levels of both institutions. Even the difference in laboratory instruments is not so dramatic as I expected. Therefore I hope that our Institute will be able to survive even the hard times which are in Czechoslovakia now. Probably the most critical situation will be at the beginning of the next year and so I was asked by my Prague boss to extend my stay to June 1993. I hope that it will be possible in spite of the fact that some reorganization is under way at HLR and that the project I am doing now will be terminated this October. Even if my stay is not extended I believe that it will be inspiring in many ways.

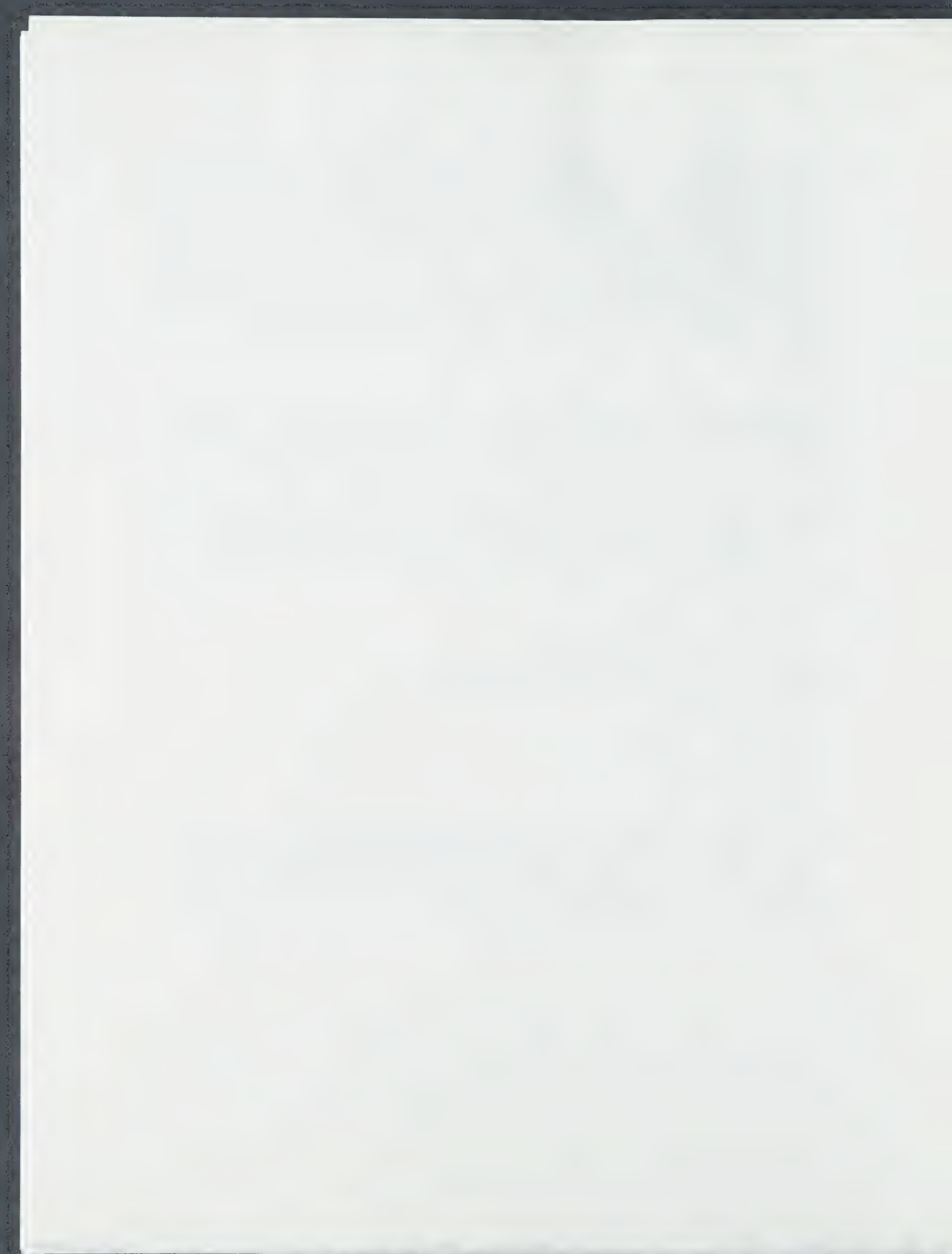
Before I came to the U.S.A. I wrote a short article on Bader Fellowships for Chemické Listy and I hope that it will be published soon. I believe that the article also expresses properly your relationship to our country. I very appreciate that the latest development at Sigma-Aldrich did not discourage you in supporting Czech students in the form of the Bader Fellowships and that you are even planning to establish new fellowship in University of Pennsylvania and to support also Czech art history students in future.

Give our best regards to Isabel.

With nothing further at this time I remain,
sincerely yours,

(Stan Radl)
Stan Radl

PS.: Today is August 21 (I started this letter on August 18, but then I got ill and I am on erythromycin now.), the very sad date in our history, which reminded me your article in Aldrichimica Acta which was for me very important.



Dr. Alfred Bader
Chairman Emeritus



January 29, 1992

Dr. Stanislav Radl
Hoffmann-La Roche Inc.
Building 76, Floor 11
340 Kingsland Street
Nutley, New Jersey 07110 1199

Dear Stan:

You will have realized how happy I was finally to talk to you in the United States, and I very much hope to have a chance to see you personally before long. Please also remember that you and your family have a standing invitation to visit us at home in Milwaukee.

Thank you for bringing over nine (9) samples. Of these, one, the dichloroisquinoline, has just been added to our catalog and one is already in our Library. But the others are of interest, and I am glad that you are able to accept the offer of \$150.00 for these samples. We are sending the check, made out to you, to Mr. Barry Young, our eastern representative, and he will visit you personally in your laboratory shortly, to pick up the samples and give you the check. That way you won't have to bother packing the compounds for shipment.

All good wishes, also to your family.

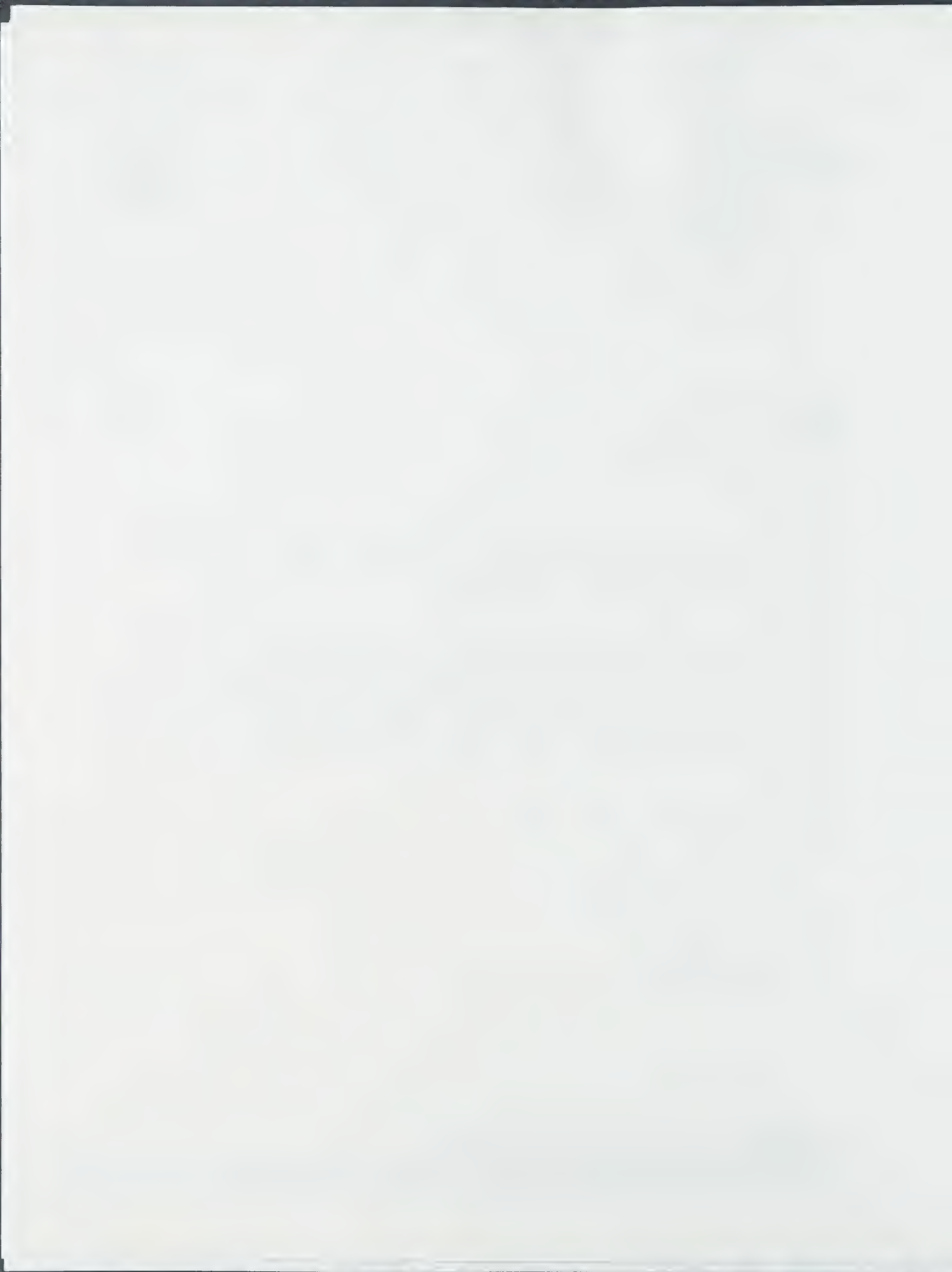
Sincerely,

Alfred Bader

c: Mr. Barry Young
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Dr. Alfred Bader
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January 15, 1992

Dear Alfred,

I hope that you have duly received my last letter of December in spite of the fact that I mistakenly used 5 crown stamp instead of 6 crown one. If not, thank you very much again for your nice gift.

I have just started my one year stay at Hoffmann-La Roche so I hope that we will meet somewhere in the US. My wife Majka and son Tom are expected to come sometime in June.

I brought also several samples which may interest you. Their list you can find below.

Give my best regards to Isabel.

Sincerely yours,

Stan Radl *from Radl*

My address:

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April 9, 1993

Dr. Stanislav Radl
41 Irving Terrace
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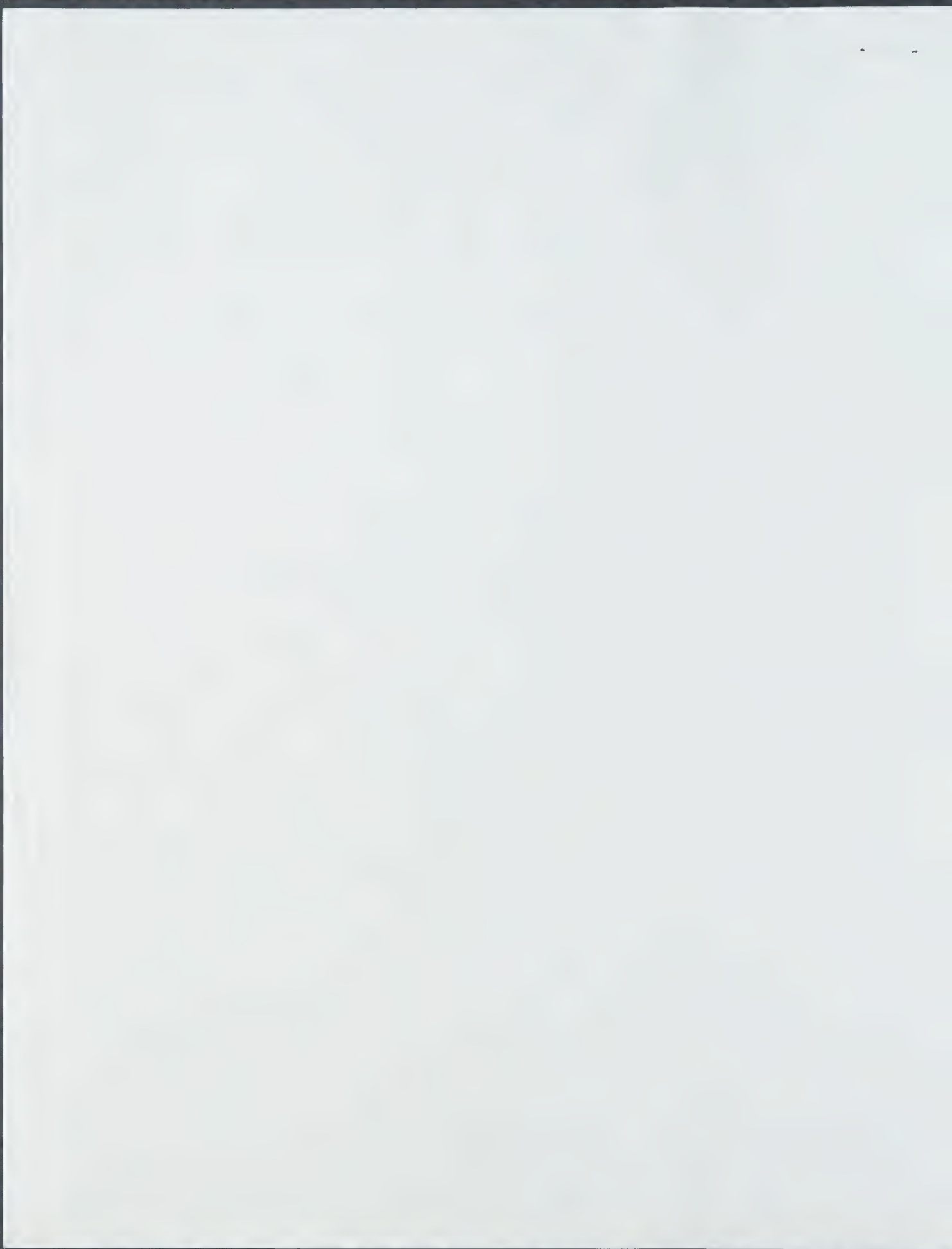
Dear Stan:

I feel very guilty to have worried you by not replying to your letter of February 16th which I appreciated very much indeed. I have been travelling a good deal with many lectures in Florida, Texas, the Carolinas and Georgia, and so I put off writing to you until I had a firm schedule for my trip to Prague. That schedule has only been finalized now; and I know that I will be in the Czech Republic from the 8th to the 16th of June, with a couple of days in the middle in Prague.

Of course I very much enjoyed reading your article, and I want to thank you for your very kind words. One minor and totally unimportant detail is that I have no family, but very good friends in Miroslav. My father's father was born in Kyjov, and my father's mother, in Prague. My father and I were born in Vienna. My mother's family had homes both in Hungary and Moravia, and the family castle in Milotice is now a museum with lots of ugly portraits of ancestors of mine. Why they did not have the good sense to pick good painters in the 17th and 18th centuries I don't know, but it's too late to do anything about it.

I have now established an award for Czech art historians to spend six months abroad studying any baroque art of interest to them. Also, as you will see from the enclosed correspondence with E. J. Corey, I am about to set up a fellowship at Harvard for Czech chemistry students.

Of course, I am very intrigued by your idea of establishing an award for the best organic paper published by a young Czech chemist in any given year. I very much want to discuss this with you in Prague. As this won't be possible, please think about it and then send me your telephone number at home so that I can discuss it with you. What I have in mind is for a committee of three chemists, initially,



Dr. Alfred Bader
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Dr. Stanislav Radl
April 9, 1993
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perhaps you, an academic at the Academy in Prague, perhaps Dr. Tichy, and an industrial chemist, perhaps Vladimir Matous, to constitute a committee of three within the Czech Chemical Society to select the best papers for the first few years. But the Czech Chemical Society will have to set up some mechanics of continuing that committee in perpetuity.

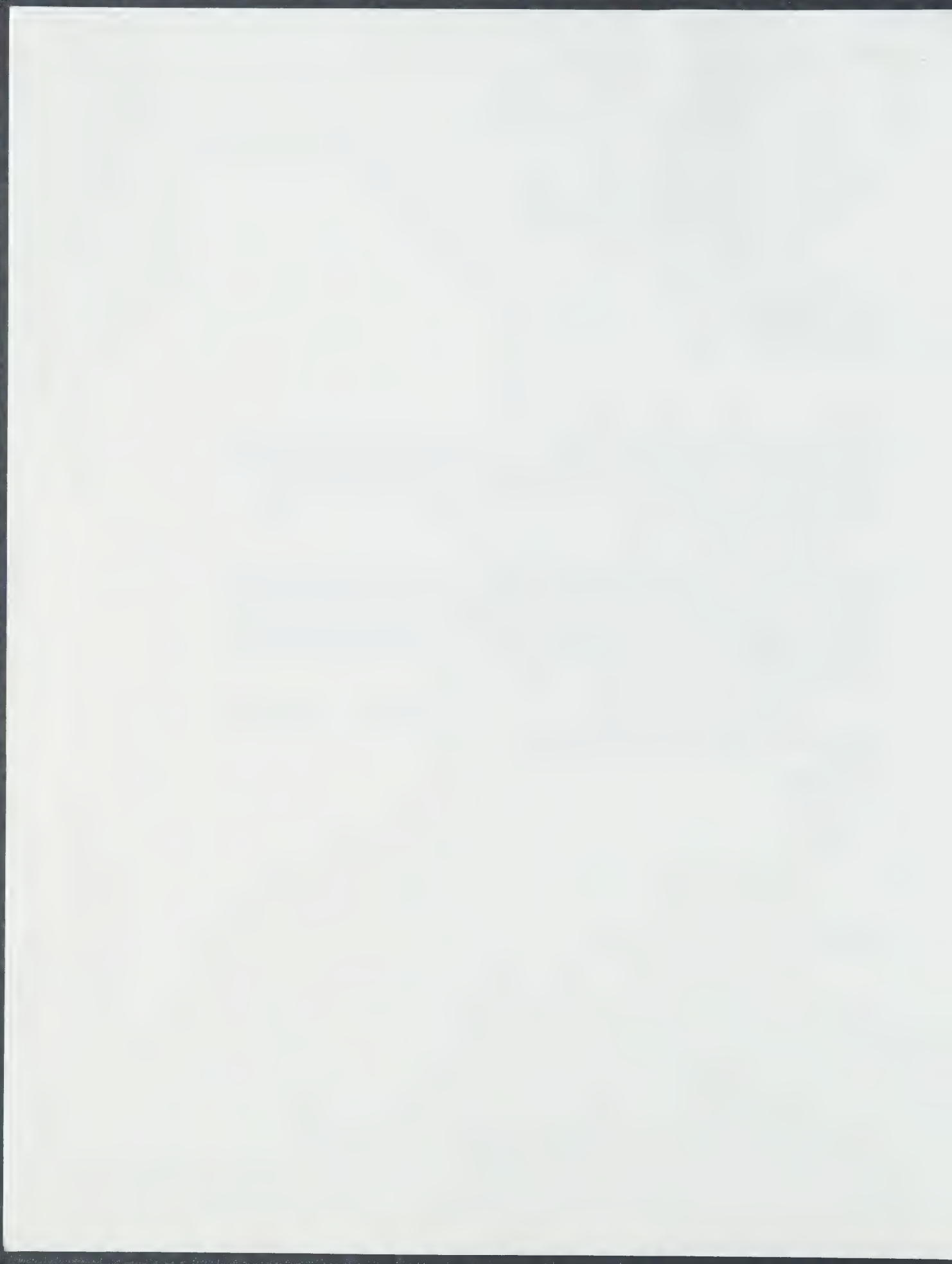
Of course, there is no need to re-invent the wheel: there are such Bader awards with the ACS, the Canadian Chemical Society and the British Royal Society of Chemistry. I have in mind a \$3,000 award annually, with most of it to go to the chemist winning it, and some amount to pay for the administration of the award. Let me discuss all this with you when I talk to you, but please discuss this with the officers of the Czech Chemical Society when you are in Prague, also.

I would be happy to provide the money this year, through the Charter 77 Foundation, and then to have the first award made in 1994.

Fond regards.

As always,

Enclosures



Dr. Alfred Bader
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March 18, 1994

Dr. Stanislav Radl
Pertoldova 3380
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Czech Republic

Dear Stan,

Thank you so much for your most interesting and helpful letter of March 1.

Of course you are right in saying that the Czech Chemical Society should concentrate on finding truly able chemists to be recipients of the Bader Award. It will be interesting to see whether they pick an "old war horse" in which case we will just stop the award after three years. I am sure that the Foundation for a Civil Society will help and that I can rely on you to tell me about the recipients.

Isabel and I look forward to being in Prague during the week of June 13, and we much hope to spend an evening with you and your family. If you have an hour or two during a working day, we would also like to visit the Foundation's office with you.

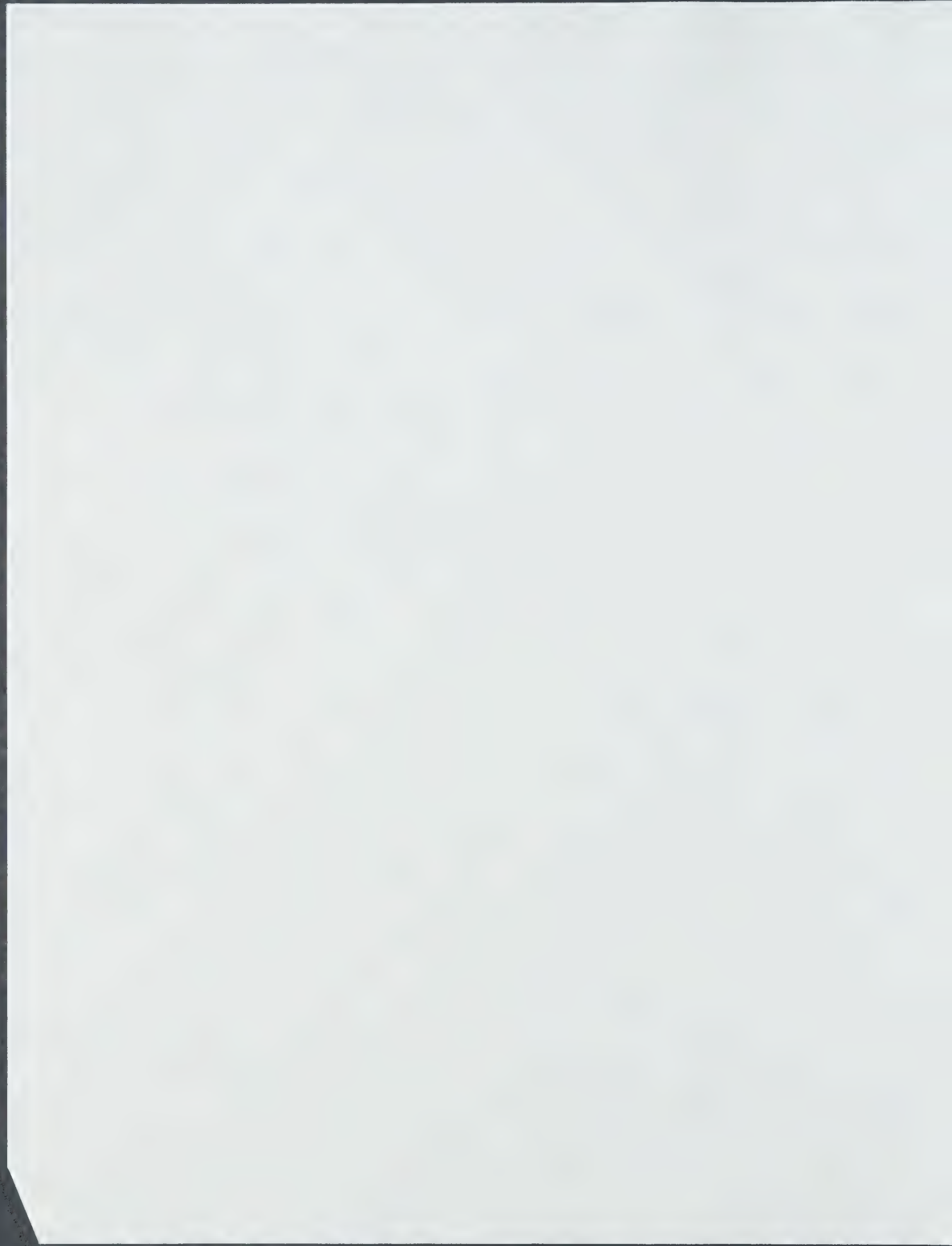
My 70th birthday will be on April 28, and I will celebrate it with a dinner with many of the oldest employees at Aldrich.

We are bound to spend some time in England during the summer of 1995, although we must keep open the dates of the Loschmidt celebrations in Vienna. Let's discuss the plans for your English visit when we see you in June.

I am happy to report to you that the 4th graduate fellowship, this one at Harvard University, is now in place. I understand that Harvard has already selected its first student and so the only problem at the moment is to find some good applicant's for the University of Pennsylvania. Professor Amos Smith, with whom that student will probably be working, is a fine human being and a great chemist, and so I hope that the University of Pennsylvania will get some applications.

Sincerely,

c: Foundation for Civil Society



Dr. Alfred Bader
2961 North Shepard Avenue
Milwaukee, WI 53211
U.S.A.

March 1, 1993

Dear Alfred:

Thank you very much for your kind letter of February 15 and the enclosed materials. You know that I really appreciate that you continue keeping me informed about your activities regarding Czech Republic and your help to our chemistry and art history. I found your collaboration with the Foundation for a Civil Society quite reasonable and I hope that prof. Paleta is also satisfied with the proposed solution. I have a small note regarding the copy of professor's Paleta letter of December 15, 1993. I was a little bit surprised by his concern about the influence of the inflation to the value of the award. I feel that their main concern should be to establish the award and make it really prestigious. I agree that the value is very important, especially at the beginning, and I am sure that 100,000 crown is more than enough. In my opinion, the worst thing that could happen is to give the first Awards to recipients that are not worth it. And finding a reliable procedure for the recipients elimination should concern prof. Paleta now. Since he is a very systematic man, I believe that it will end well. I hope that the award could become a really prestigious one so that receiving it could be a great honor and a valuable addition to the recipient's CV. In conclusion, I believe that it is not necessary, at least for the first 3 years, to be bothered about the inflation rate in the Czech Republic.

I am really glad to hear that you are extremely busy since I believe that you enjoy it very much. I really do not know any other person of your age who can be really called "workaholic". I know that this year you are unbelievable 70 years old but I do not know your date of birth. Can you let me know about it? I hope that you will find publisher for your autobiography and that I will be able to get it after it appears. Meanwhile I would appreciate receiving copies of the finished chapters, of course if you do not mind.

I am really looking forward to meeting you and Isabel in Prague this spring. If you need any help in organizing your stay in Prague, feel free to ask me. I should be in Prague all June except the week from June 22nd to June 25th. I was invited to St. Pölitz in Austria to deliver a lecture at the Blue Danube Symposium on Heterocyclic Chemistry (I hope that this is the correct name of the event). I will also take part in the Belgian Organic Synthesis Symposium which is organized from July 10. to 15. in Namur. The Conference registration and stay there is paid by Janssen Chimica as a reimbursement for my review article that was published in Janssen Chimica Acta 2 years ago. They promised me to pay my stay at the previous BOSS but that time I was in the U.S.A. and therefore Mr. Meskens offered me it again this year. Since I will have to pay the transport expenses we will probably go by car and stay in Belgium also the following week for our family vacation.

As I mentioned in my previous letter we would like to spend our 1995 vacation in England and perhaps in Wales. I hope that you can give me some advice regarding places of interest, transport and boarding possibilities, etc. I know that it is really soon but I would like to know your opinion about such a vacation. Tom will graduate from the high school next year

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and I would like to organize the vacation as a special gift for him. It may be our last vacation spent together since I suppose that later he will more enjoy his vacation without us.

I wish you and Isabel nice time. We all are looking forward to meeting you soon.

Sincerely,

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February 15, 1994

Dr. Stanislav Radl
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Dear Stan,

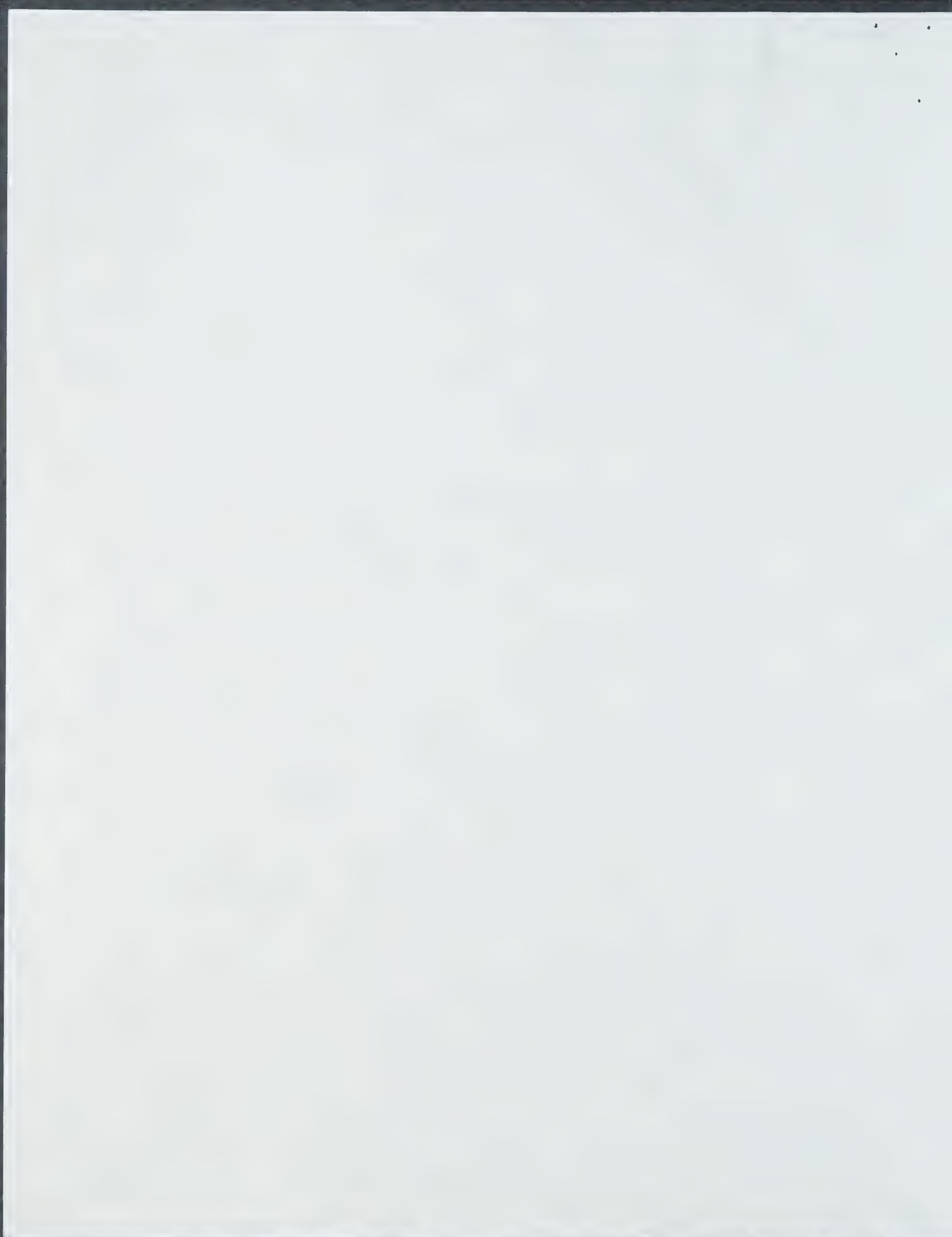
I feel guilty that I have not replied earlier to your long and informative letter of November 15th sent to our home in Bexhill, but I have been exceedingly busy all this time. We do indeed like spending 89 days each year in our English home, which is a very simple place but in a nice area. Our stay is limited to 89 days as we would have to pay British income tax if we stayed there longer.

I have been exceedingly busy trying to finish my autobiography and hope to find a publisher for it within the next year. It isn't at all easy to write 15 or 20 chapters about subjects as different as chemistry, Aldrich, and art history, and the danger of such a book is that many of the chapters will be of little interest to specific readers.

Regarding my trying to help Czech chemists, there have been some positive developments. I have gotten to know the people at the Foundation for a Civil Society, formerly Charter 77 Foundation, and they seem to know their way around, to help Czechs.

Enclosed is my recent correspondence with Professor Poleta from which you will see that I have given the funds for the first three years to the Foundation, and they will give 110,000 Czech crowns to the Czech Chemical Society in each of the next three years. After that, we will see how best to give the capital so that the award will be permanent.

Also, Harvard University has accepted a fellowship for one Ph.D. student from the Czech Republic every year, to go to Cambridge for his or her studies. At the other three universities, Columbia University, Imperial College and the University of Pennsylvania, the fellowship is for one student to come every three years. The first student at Columbia University is doing very well, as is the second student at



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Imperial College. However, last year the University of Pennsylvania received no suitable applicants for the Bader Fellowship. They will try again this year.

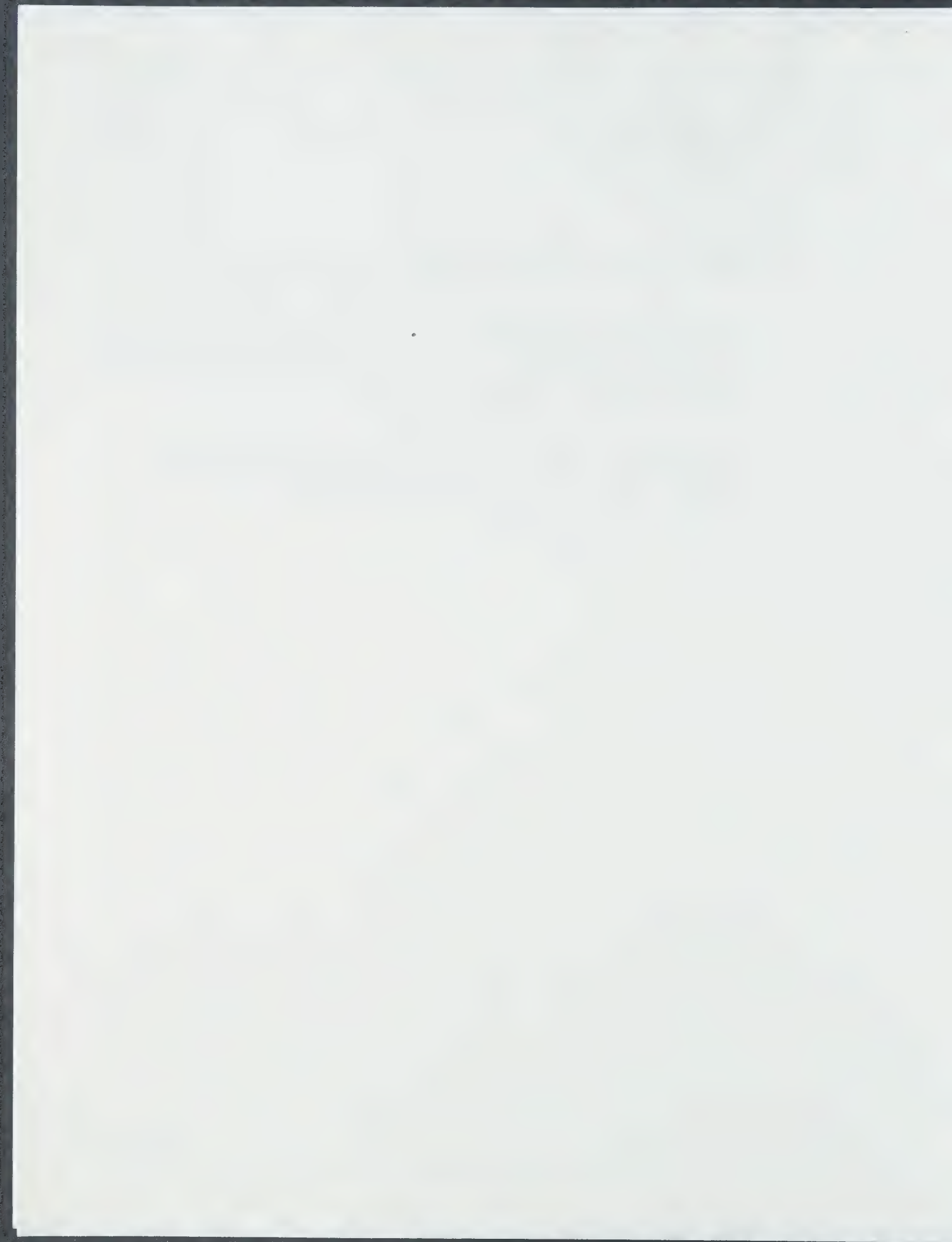
As you know, I met the president of the Czech Academy, Professor Zahradnik, last summer, but our correspondence since then has been very disappointing. I offered to consider funding a chair at Charles University, but he obviously doesn't know how to go about it, and he has not replied. Perhaps another visit and the help from the Foundation for a Civil Society will be useful.

Isabel and I again look forward to being in Prague for a few days in June, and we very much hope to see you and your family at that time. In the meantime, the enclosures will keep you up to date about what Isabel and I are doing.

Fond regards from house to house.

Sincerely,

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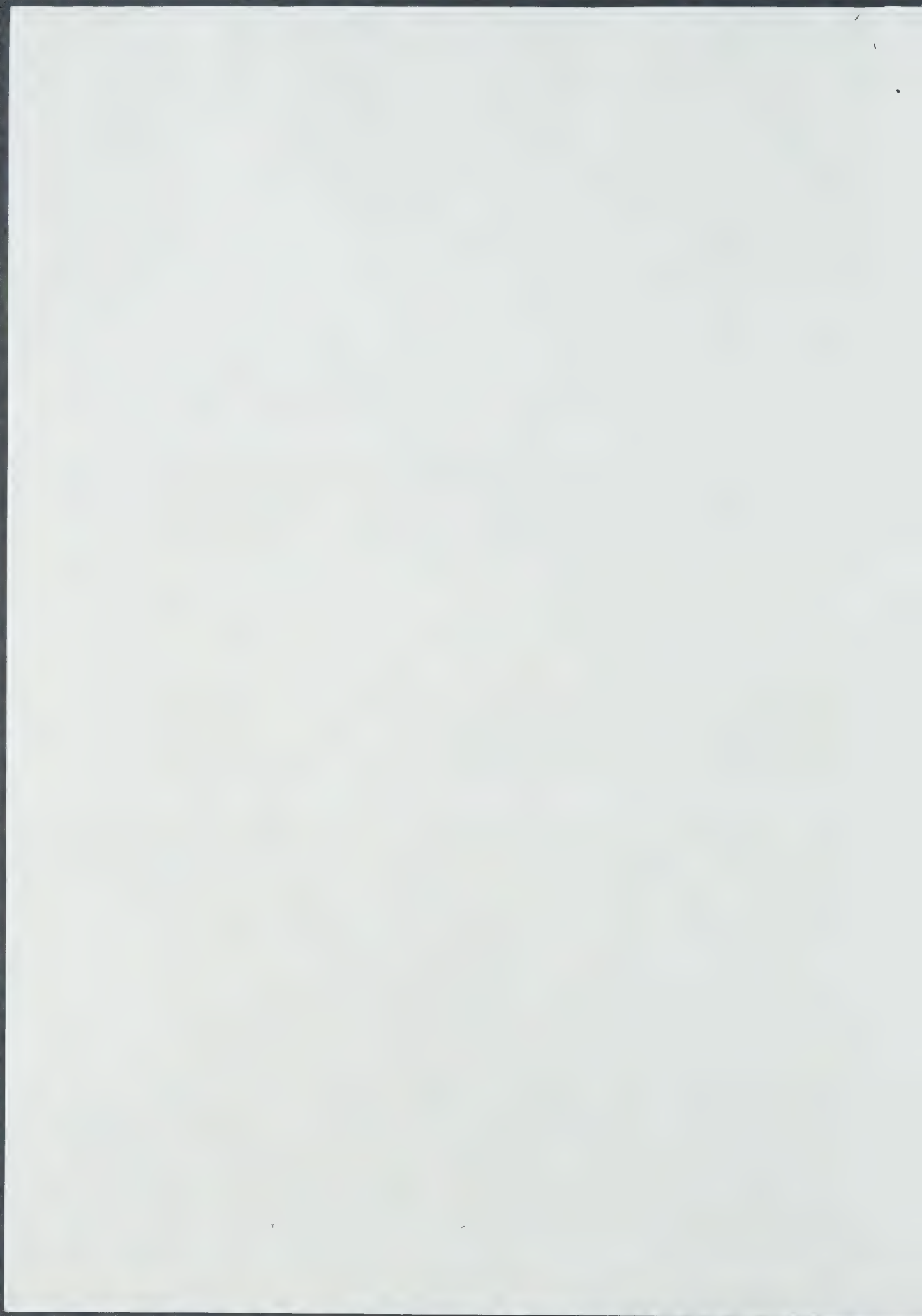
Dr. Alfred Bader
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November 15, 1993

Dear Alfred:

First I must apologize for the delay. I hope that you have already found that I hate being late for any response but I have been really busy for the last two months. I had to finish a review for *Advances in Heterocyclic Chemistry*, the deadline for its preparation was the end of October. After being cut off from my Czech colleagues from other Universities, Institutes and Companies during my stay in the U.S.A., I attended two events in the Czech Republic during October and November (Congress of the Czech and Slovak Chemical Societies, Conference on Organic, Bioorganic and Pharmaceutical Chemistry of the Czech Chemical Society). I had to prepare lectures for the meetings. In addition, I attended a Seminar on heterocyclic Chemistry held in Prague with several distinguished speakers from abroad. I also had to prepare a project on analgesics for the next year to get funding for it. The situation in Czech pharmaceutical industry is very difficult since most companies are not willing to pay money for research. They prefer to form a joint venture with foreign companies (mostly some unknown ones) and to produce only so-called generic drugs. Fortunately I have a promise from Leciva that they would finance my project for the next year by 4 million crowns. It could look lots of money but it is not, since the bureaucracy in both our Institute and in the Czech Republic in general is still big and its expenses as well.

Thank you very much for your letter and copies of your correspondence dealing with your help to Czech chemistry. It is a great thing and I must say that it is really "by no means easy". I am afraid that your experience with your traveling award for a student of art history is not exceptional but rather typical. I must say that generally characters of people have been revealed since 1989 and frequently not only good features appeared. No law dealing with conflict of interest is valid in our republic. The law from the Communist era was abolished and all attempts to pass a new one have been rejected by the Parliament. The situation is very advantageous for our representatives since most members of Parliament have their own private companies and can use their information during the privatization process for their advantage. There have been published many cases when our ministers, government officers, members of Parliament, and police officers are involved in a very strange privatization. For example, deputy chairman of ODS (party lead by Vaclav Klaus whom I personally admire) bought a building in Prague for 7 million crowns and sold it in two months for 76 million crowns. And everything was legal since our Parliament passed the law that in some cases objects for privatization could be sold not for a real value but for a value count by a special methodology that did not take into account its real market value. And some people are touched by such behavior of these famous and influential people and are trying to get money or other advantages from everything possible. In spite of such unpleasant features of our recent process I believe that there is no alternative to the privatization. This part is only an illustration of our present situation, not a complain of mine.



During the Conference on Organic, Bioorganic and Pharmaceutical Chemistry I discussed the matter of the award in the Czech Chemical Society with Prof. Paleta. He explained me their reasons why they preferred establishing a foundation to buying long-term bonds. He informed me that the new version of the Award, that accepted most of your suggestions, was prepared and would be sent to you in the near future. I did not see the text but I hope that the version would be really acceptable for you.

Regarding your fellowships you have established for Czech students at several Universities I hope that it will be possible to find good students for them but, in my opinion, there is not advisable to established some additional ones. I also discussed the matter with Prof. Paleta and others and they believed that the number of good students is slightly declining. Generally, in our media Chemistry is blamed for many sins and is not very perspective for young people. In addition, there is no need for new chemists both in Academia and Industry and chemists on the bench level are greatly underpaid. Of course there are some students with an enthusiasm for Chemistry and I hope that they will be attracted by your fellowships. And what you can do for encouraging them? I believe that the standard procedure of sending the announcement to all Czech Chemistry Universities should be enough. Maybe you can ask Prof. Paleta to place an advertisement in *Chemicke Listy* (Journal of the Czech Chemical Society) whenever it would be necessary. In my opinion it could be helpful if the current Bader fellows share their experience in the form of letters to *Chemicke Listy* but I could not imagine the way how to encourage them to do it.

As far as VUOS is concerned, I have found that the company was on the list of companies for privatization by the coupon method. I hoped that I could meet Ing. Matous during some of the events I have attended since my return from the U.S.A. but he apparently did not attend any of them. I hope that you will introduce us during some of your next visits to our country.

Since I have noticed in a fax, the copy of which you sent to me, that you were planning a longer stay in England, I am sending this letter to your England address. Your place in England must be very nice and your stays there very refreshing, judging according to the frequency of your visits there. Years ago, when I started learning English, I hoped to visit England and this vision was a great encouragement for further study. We also discussed the possibility to visit England during some of our next family vacations and maybe you can advice us some places of interest together with information about the travel and boarding possibilities in England. Maybe we can discuss this matter during your next visit to Prague.

Best personal regards to you and Isabel.

Sincerely,

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September 17, 1993

Dr. Stanislav Radl
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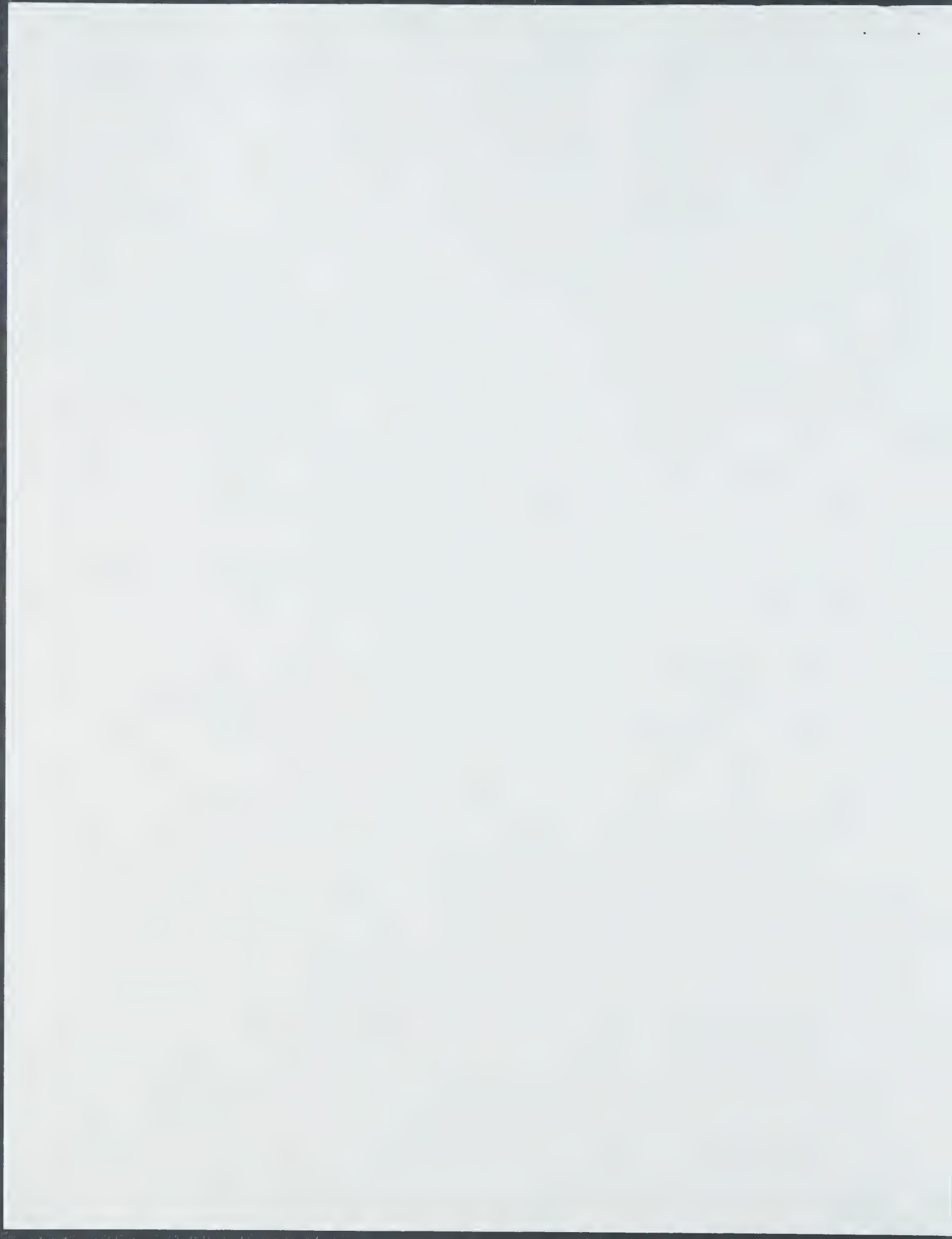
Dear Stan,

I am so happy to have your letter of September 5 for two reasons, one of which may amuse you. The better of the two is to know from your letter that you are settling down to your work and are relatively happy with what is happening in Prague. The other reason is that I can now write to you. I mislaid your Prague address, and I have not yet had a reply about your address from Dr. Felix at Roche, to whom I wrote some time ago.

To answer your letter of May 19 which awaited me when I returned from Europe at the end of July, there is nothing confidential about my correspondence with Harvard about the Czech fellowship, and copies are enclosed.

Regarding an award with the Czech Chemical Society, that was tentatively accepted during my meeting with Dr. Paleta in Prague, and I enclose copies of the correspondence. The Czech Chemical Society is slow in reaching decisions, and I received Dr. Paleta's reply only today. His and my faxes, enclosed, will be self-explanatory.

Establishing awards in the Czech Republic is by no means easy, and I want to share with you my concern in a field that doesn't interest you particularly, but which is very close to my heart--art history. I wanted to establish a travelling award to send a student to a place of his or her choice. However, I wasn't certain how well the Czech Academy would handle such an award, and so I promised \$15,000 each a year for a trial period of three years. Yet, when I inquired about it in Prague during my last visit, I was introduced to the man who won the award. He is certainly not a student, but a man with an established reputation who had no intention of studying in one place, but simply used the \$15,000 to look at museums all over Europe. Clearly, such a trip is very worthwhile for him, but it is not at all what I wanted to do, namely, to help a Czech student. What do you think of my last letter to



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Dr. Milena Bartlova, who is incidentally a very likeable and good person and the daughter of the recent Czech Ambassador to Washington. I have not yet had her reply, and I am very curious to learn what she will say.

This is not the only disappointment I have had. As you know, we have established several fellowships for Czech students, and the first two who went to Columbia University and Imperial College, are doing well. However, the University of Pennsylvania received one application only, and when the applicant was offered the fellowship he had to turn it down because he had accepted a fellowship from Michigan State University. My letter to Professor Smith will be self-explanatory.

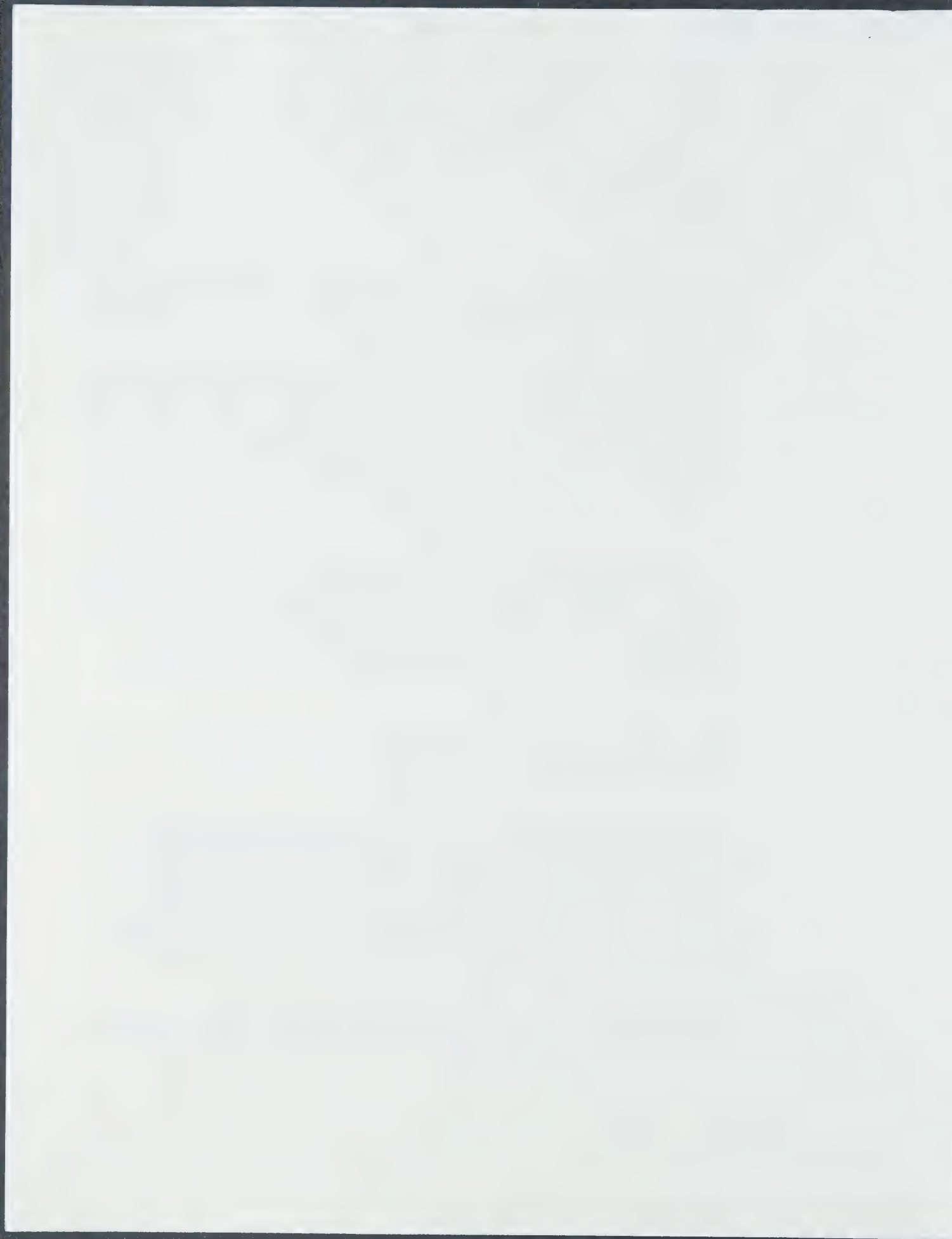
What can one do to encourage more Czech students to apply for these fellowships?

Recently, I received a letter from Professor Rudolf Zahradnik who is the president of the Academy of Sciences, suggesting that I establish a Bader Chair in physical chemistry at Charles University. I have been thinking about this, and I will now reply that I would be interested in the future to establish such a chair, but would much prefer it to be in organic chemistry, rather than in physical chemistry. I wonder whether Professor Zahradnik will understand my reasoning, which surely you will understand.

Since I received your letter of May 19, I have made some inquiries about that Belgian businessman, Dr. Walter van Herck. I would like to urge you and your friend to be quite careful.

I have been very disappointed in what has been happening at VUOS. As you know, we have become good friends of Ing. Vladimir Matous, one of the most decent Czechs I know. Because of this friendship and his ability, we had hoped to invest in VUOS when that company is privatized. But that has simply been put off time and again, and we don't know whether it will ever take place. Should you ever have a chance to meet Ing. Matous, I am sure that both of you would enjoy the meeting. Again this last summer, we had a couple of very good days with him and really enjoyed the visit.

I think that I really share your thinking and sentiments about Prague and the Czech Republic. Prague has become quite cosmopolitan and overcrowded by tourists, but



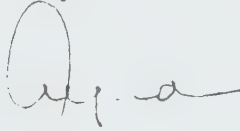
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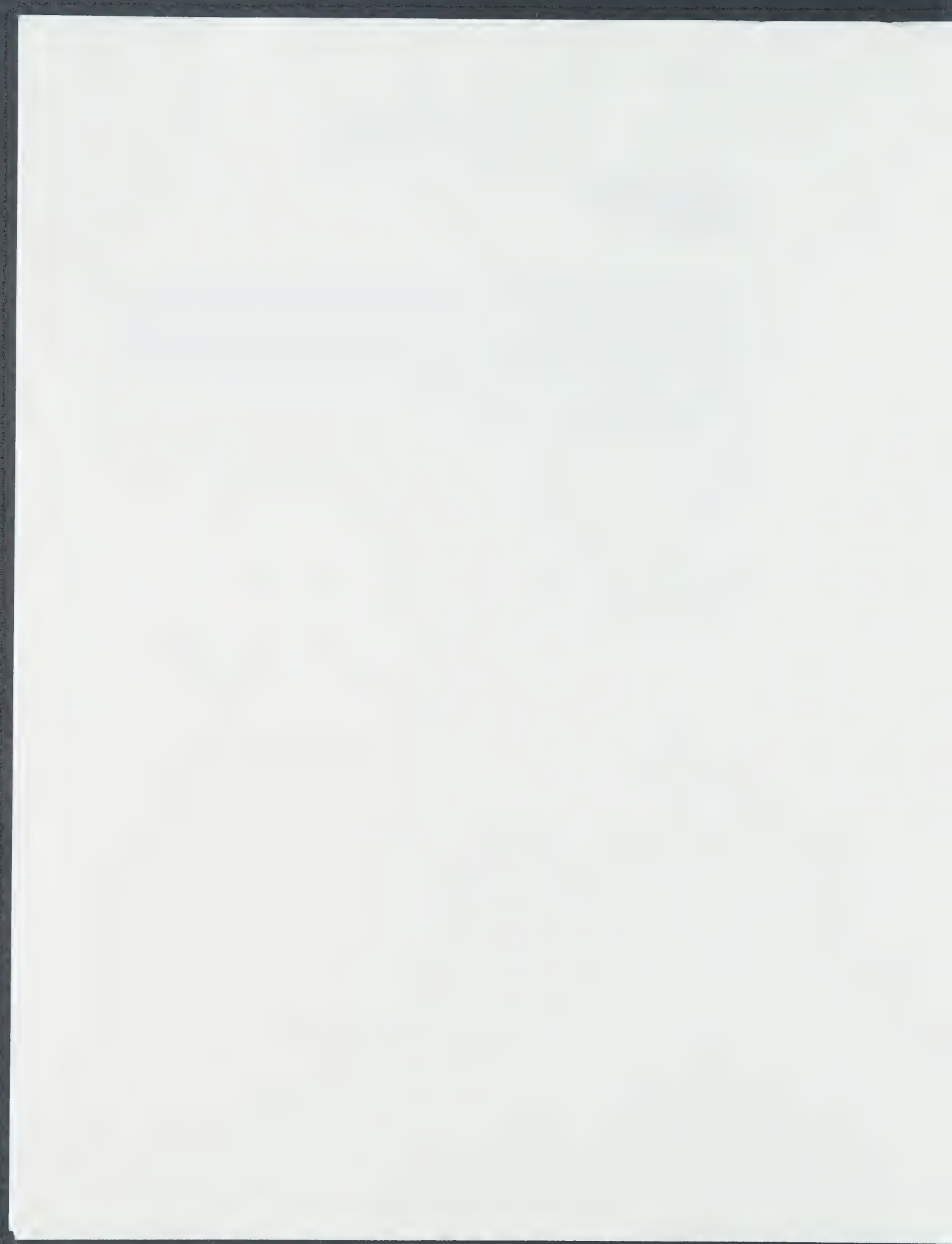
I think that the positives, both in Prague and the entire country, outweigh the negatives such as the growing crime rate. Maybe it's just wishful thinking, but I do believe that in time the Czech Republic will become one of the great countries of Europe. Of course, I am really happy that able people like you prefer to stay in Prague, despite all the difficulties, rather than choose the easier life in the west.

Fond regards to you and your family.

Sincerely,

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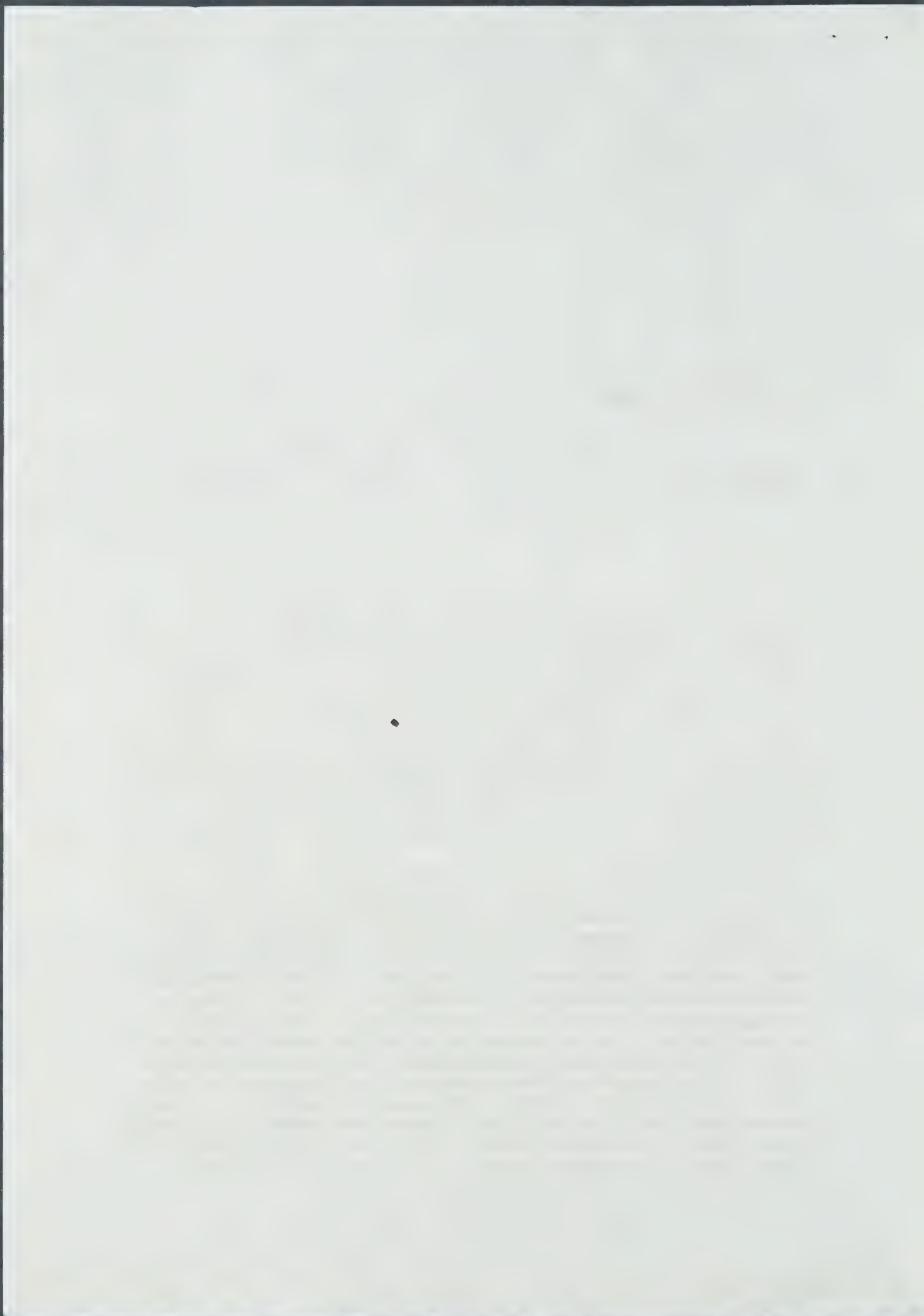
Dr. Alfred Bader
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September 5, 1993

Dear Alfred:

Excuse me that I was not able to write you sooner but I was really busy. I returned to Prague on July 2 and I had an idea of a very quiet two months' vacation spent alternately at my parents house near Pilzen and in Prague. In reality it was not so. In fact it was a very strange type of vacation since I had to visit many friends and colleagues who were interested in my American experience. In addition I had to prepare some other materials (publication for J. Het. Chem., poster for the Conference of Czech Chemists that will take place in Olomouc next week). Since my boss told me that I would be a person in charge of a project dealing with non-opioid analgesics I also had to study what has been done in the project during my stay in the US. Unfortunately I was not satisfied with my findings and therefore I had to spend some time of my vacation in the library to modify the project. All these facts caused that especially in Prague I was really busy. I postponed all my correspondence till September since I expecting to have more time. In spite these expectations were not fulfilled I want to get something off to you.

The stay in the US and work at Hoffmann-La Roche was an experience of my lifetime. I had been longing for something like that for years and I am glad that the dream came true. I found many good things there but I must say that there are some other things I do not like so much. I suppose that I will often get back in my thoughts to that part of my life but now I prefer to enjoy the current situation. For me it is great to be back home with my family and friends. In Prague I found a lot of changes, mostly positive. Especially the Old Town is really colorful and in much better shape than two years ago. Unfortunately prices in this part of Prague are really high for ordinary Czechs. In general, standard of living of most people is slightly lower than several years ago. On the other hand there are emerging some successful entrepreneurs who can bring some real economic growth. Unfortunately, all the process is also connected with relatively high criminality and with corruption in all levels of government, and even in the police and the justice. But I feel that overall situation after the split of Czechoslovakia is better than I had expected. Fiscal policy of our government is very restrictive (at least I think so) and our budget is balanced. Unfortunately the budget restrictions were very painful for our scientific institutions. For example our Institute used to get 50% of our money from the



government. This year we received only a very small portion from the government funding agency and therefore the Institute had great difficulties in obtaining funds for the real basics. Consequently approximately one half of the employees have left the Institute. I know that slimming of the Institute was necessary but unfortunately average level of people leaving the Institute was higher than that of people left here. And similar situation exists in the Czech Academy as well. Our Institute is expected to be privatized next year and I wonder what kind of changes the process comes. It is quite natural, but for us unfortunate, that all Czech pharmaceutical companies try to establish at least joint venture with some foreign companies and therefore their funding of our research is decreasing. Only the future tells us if medicinal research in the Czech Republic is really possible or not.

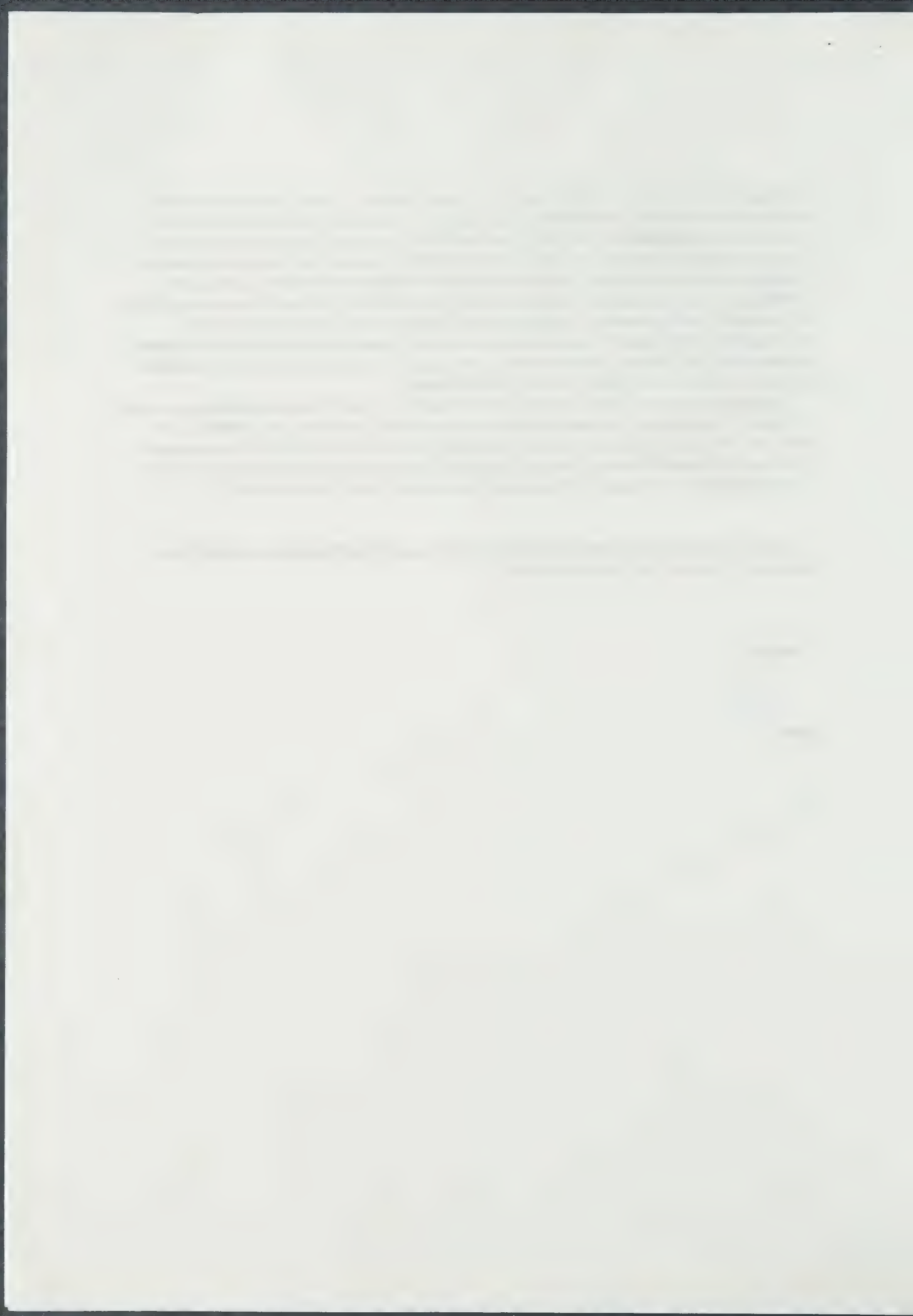
And what about you? Thank you for your visit and especially for the nice painting you gave to Majka. I hope that will be home to enjoy your next visit. I would be very grateful if you write me about your Prague visit, about your impressions from here and about your meetings with people from the Academy and the University. And what about your project to invest into VUOS Pardubice? Of course, all the possible information would be confidential.

I am looking forward hearing from you. I wish you good health and success in all your activities. Give my best regards to Isabel.

Sincerely,



Stan



Dr. Alfred Bader
2961 North Shepard Avenue
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53211

July 25, 1994

Dr. Stanislav Radl
Pertoldova 3380
143 00 Prague 4
Czech Republic

Dear Stan,

Isabel and I have just returned from a week in Canada, and one of the first things I did on our return was to check with Robert Wandler about your eleven samples of Lot I. Bob told me that they are excellent, and as some of the compounds were considerably more than 2 grams, he decided to pay \$35/each, for a total of \$385.00.

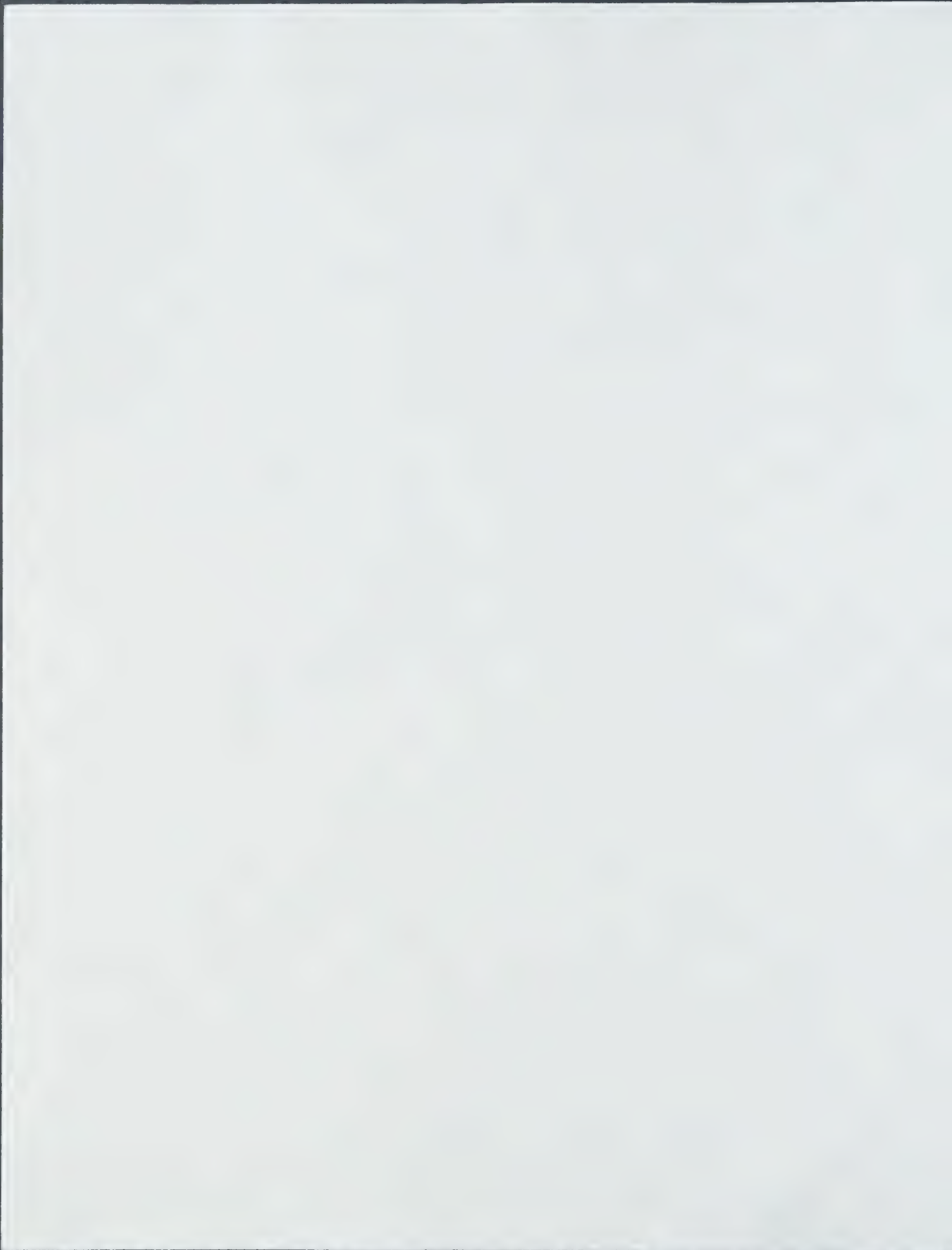
However, someone in Aldrich's accounting department did not realize that you have moved from New Jersey to Prague, and so Aldrich sent the check to your New Jersey address. Mr. Wandler is making sure that this will be corrected, but there will now be a slight delay before you get the \$385.00 in Prague.

By all means do send more of your samples, either to Mr. Wandler at Aldrich or to me at my home address. However, I travel so much that it would probably be better if you sent the samples to Aldrich.

All good wishes from house to house.

Sincerely,

c: Mr. Robert Wandler



Dr. Alfred Bader
2961 North Shepard Avenue
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53211

July 13, 1994

Dr. Stanislav Radl
Pertoldova 3380
143 00 Prague 4
Czech Republic

Dear Stan,

It was so good to see you and your family in Prague, and I want to thank you most sincerely for your help and hospitality.

This is just to confirm that you gave me 11 samples which we will call Lot No. 1 which I have turned over to Bob Wandler at Aldrich.

Of course, Bob is most interested in these heterocyclics and has agreed that Aldrich will pay you \$10 for 100 mg samples, \$15 for 500 mg samples, \$25 for one-gram samples and \$35 for two-gram samples. Bob will now weigh the samples; I think three of them are 100 mg and two or three are two-gram samples. In any case, Bob will send you an accounting saying that of Lot No. 1, so many of each were in each weight category, and he will include a check from Aldrich made out to you and sent to your home address.

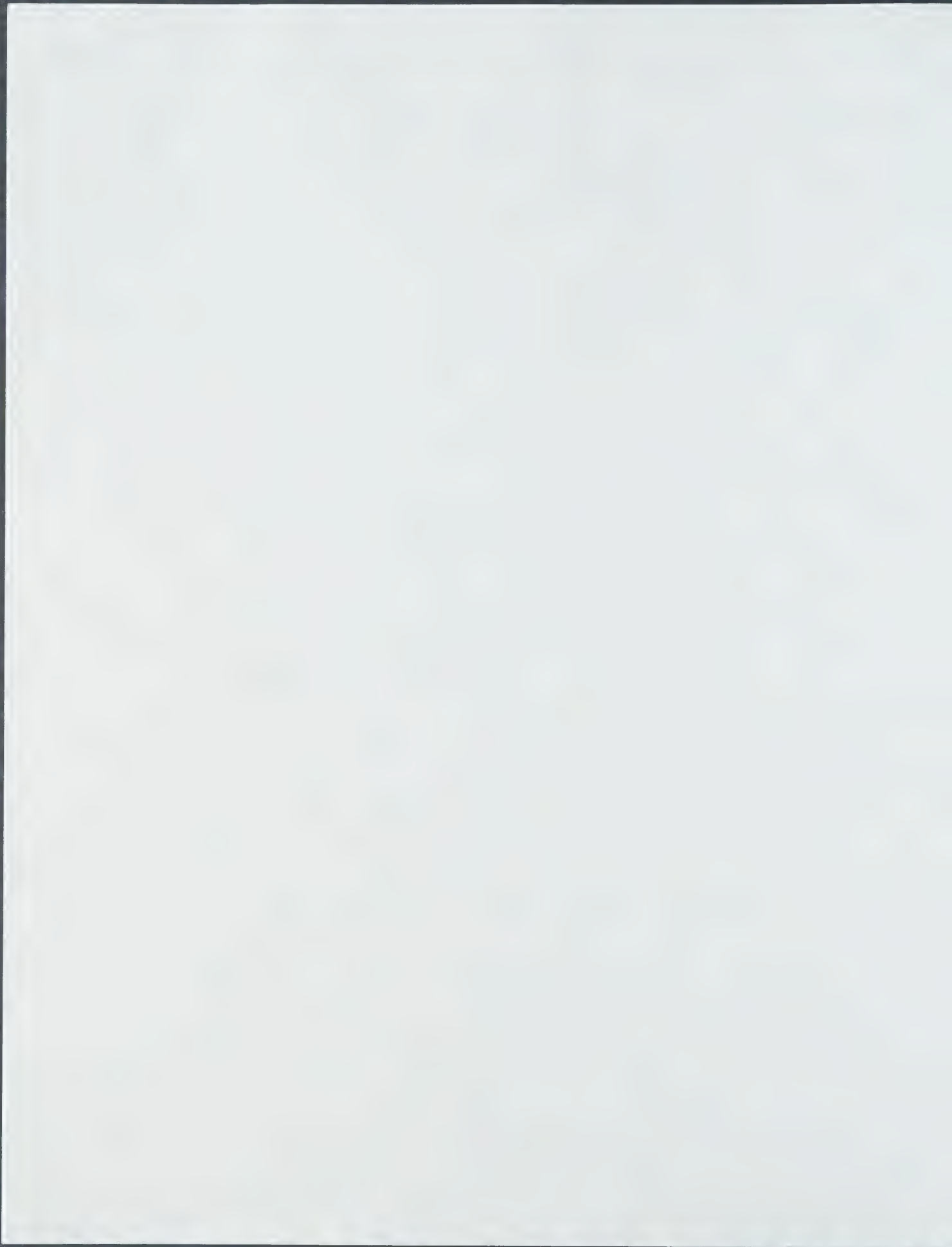
From now on, by all means send the samples by air mail to Aldrich for Bob Wandler's attention, or if you wish, you can send some of them to me and I will turn them over to Bob immediately. But please do remember that I travel quite a bit and so there may be some delay between the time of arrival of the samples at my home and being turned over to Bob.

In each case, simply say somewhere that this is lot 2 or lot 3, etc., so that you can keep track of the accounting.

All good wishes to you and your family.

Sincerely,

c: Mr. Robert Wandler



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Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53211

April 26, 1994

Dr. Stanislav Radl
Pertoldova 3380
143 00 Prague 4
Czech Republic

Dear Stan,

Our plans are now firm and we look forward to being in Prague from the 12th to the 17th of June.

You will realize from my correspondence with Professor Zahradnik and Dr. Drasar that I am really quite frustrated about our efforts. Frankly, I find Professor Zahradnik quite pushy. He doesn't know that everything we have done to help Czechs has come about without anyone pushing us at all. The fact is that we have never even been to the chemistry department of Charles University and simply don't know where a chair would be most helpful. We would like, of course, to establish a chair in organic chemistry, preferably one called the Josef Loschmidt Chair, but we must make certain that it is established as we would like it to be.

We very much hope to have a chance to discuss this with you at length before we meet with Professor Zahradnik.

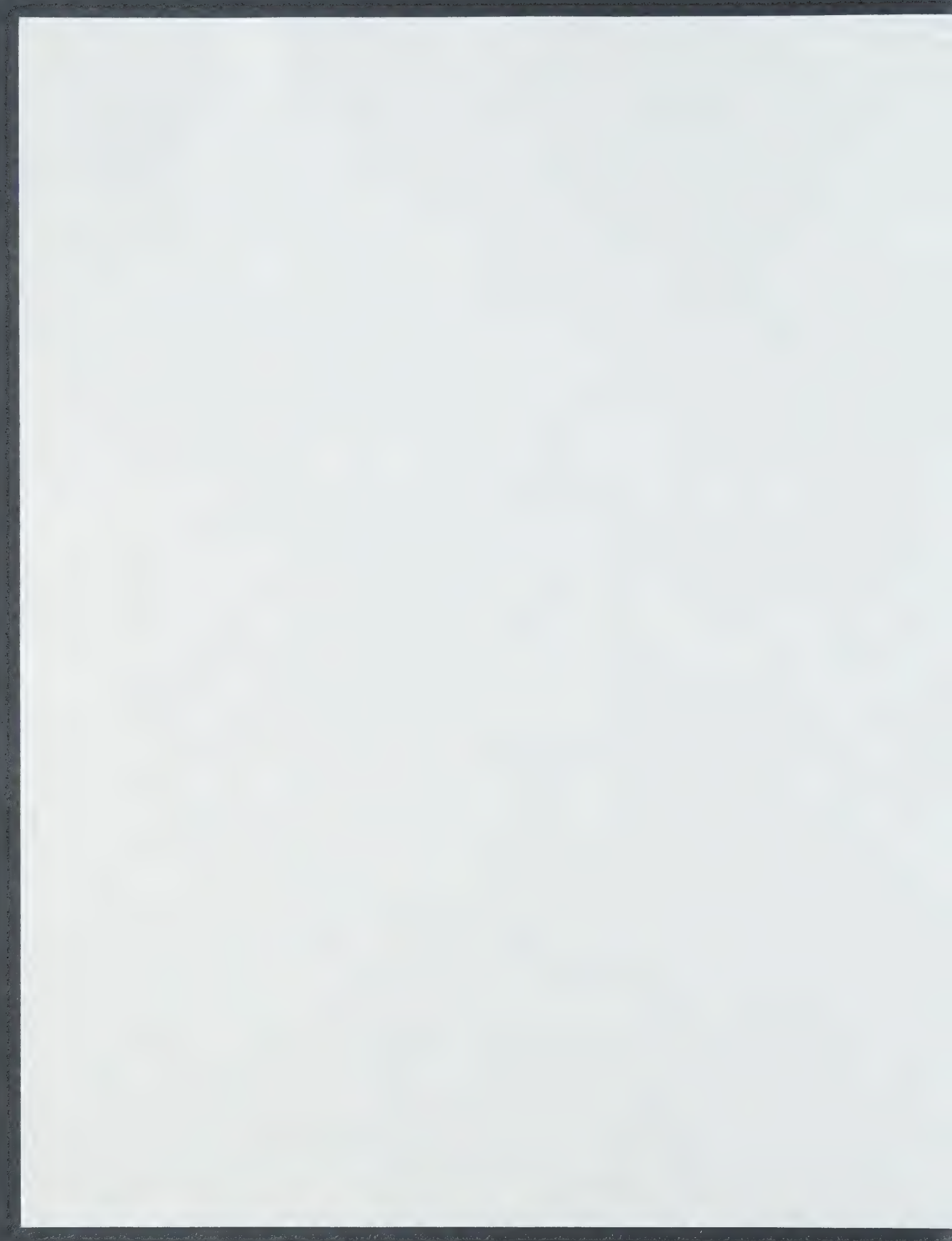
Do you, perchance, know any chemists at the university in Brno? Oddly, I have never visited that university and would be delighted if they would be willing to invite me to give a talk in the chemistry department on the work of Josef Loschmidt. My interest in the university at Brno will be clear from my correspondence with Professor Zahradnik.

All good wishes to you and your family.

Sincerely,

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P.S. Thanks for your letter of April 15th, just received.



Dr. Alfred Bader
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April 15, 1994

Dear Alfred:

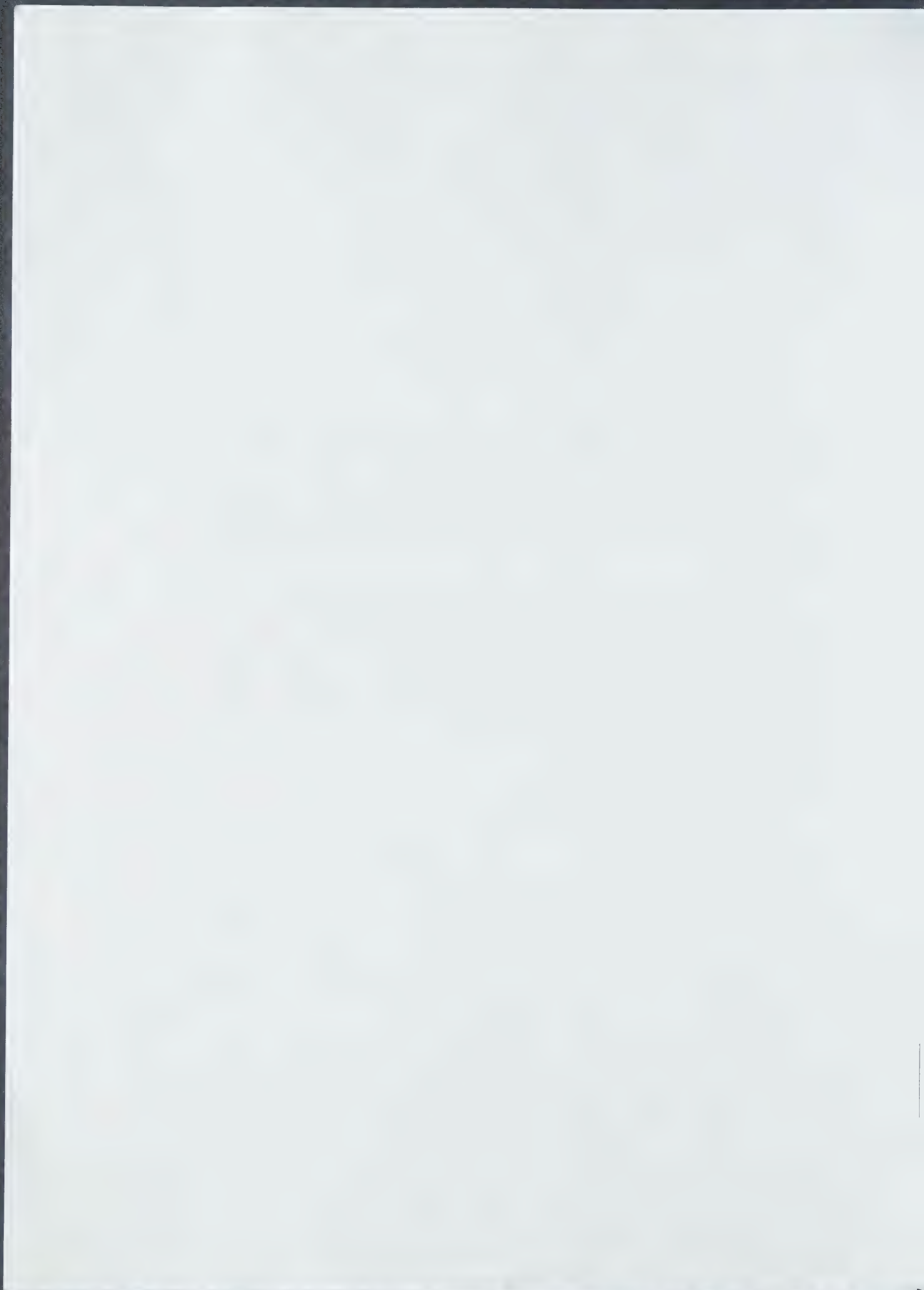
Thank you very much for your kind letter of March 18 and the enclosed materials, as well as additional material concerning your correspondence with prof. Zahradnik.

First allow me to congratulate you on the occasion of your 70th birthday. I am sure that you will enjoy dinner with your old friends and colleagues. Of course a little bit nostalgia will be present but you truly can be proud of everything you have done both in the business and in your other activities.

I am really looking forward to meeting you and Isabel in Prague in June. From your correspondence I know that many people have offered you assistance in organizing your stay here. Needless to say that I would be obliged to help you in any respect and I hope you know it. We all are looking forward to meeting you at our apartment for a dinner and to discuss matters of our mutual interest. I do not know my schedule for the time of your Prague visit but I am sure that I will be able to spend some time with you also during a working day. So we can also visit the office of the Foundation for a Civil Society.

Best personal regards to you and Isabel.

Sincerely,





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A Chemist Helping Chemists

March 3, 1997

Dr. Stanislav Radl
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143 00 Prague 4
Czech Republic

Dear Stan:

I've tried to call you many times last weekend, but your telephone line was always busy.

You will recall that you began this year by sending me three collections of samples, and Aldrich sent you its first check for \$2,500 and then second and third checks for a total of \$6,700 on February 12th.

Your fourth collection was for 50 compounds, and Aldrich's fourth check for \$2,500 was sent on February 28th.

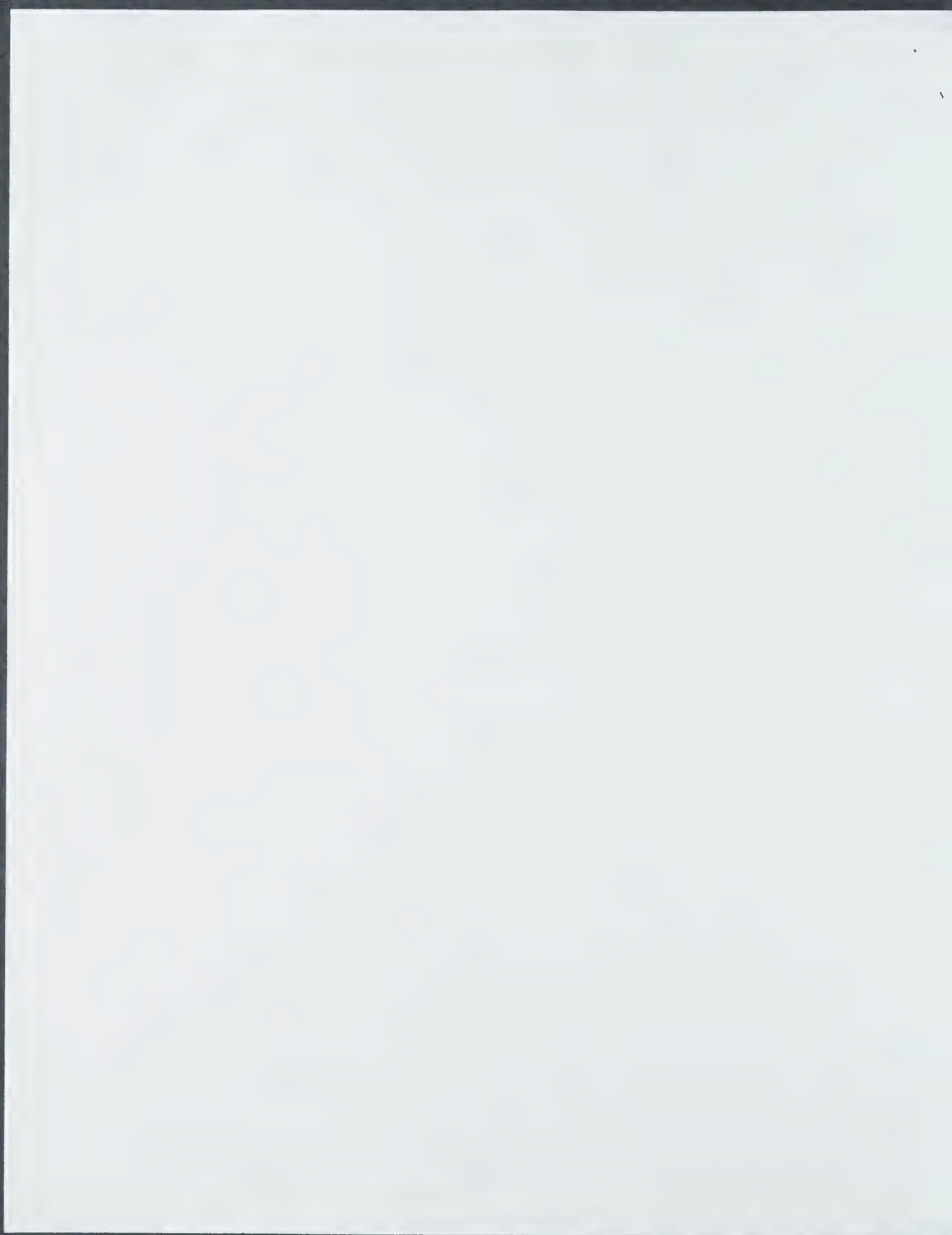
Your fifth collection for 83 compounds was sent by you postmarked February 12th, and your collection number 6 mailed on February 17th is of 61 compounds. These two collections are being processed by Aldrich now, and you will be receiving the checks soon.

It does happen that checks get lost, and so I imagine could samples. Could you please help by numbering your collections, keeping in mind that the collection sent on February 17th was number 6. Also, it would make things easier if you always sent 50 samples per shipment.

Please don't mind that I am so Germanic in my attitude to business, but I want to make certain that everything is received properly and paid the same way.

Bob Wandler, the man in charge at Aldrich, very much appreciates the great interest in your samples and hopes that you will be able to send many others.

Also, please do help me by letting me know what your friends think about the last choice for the Bader Award.



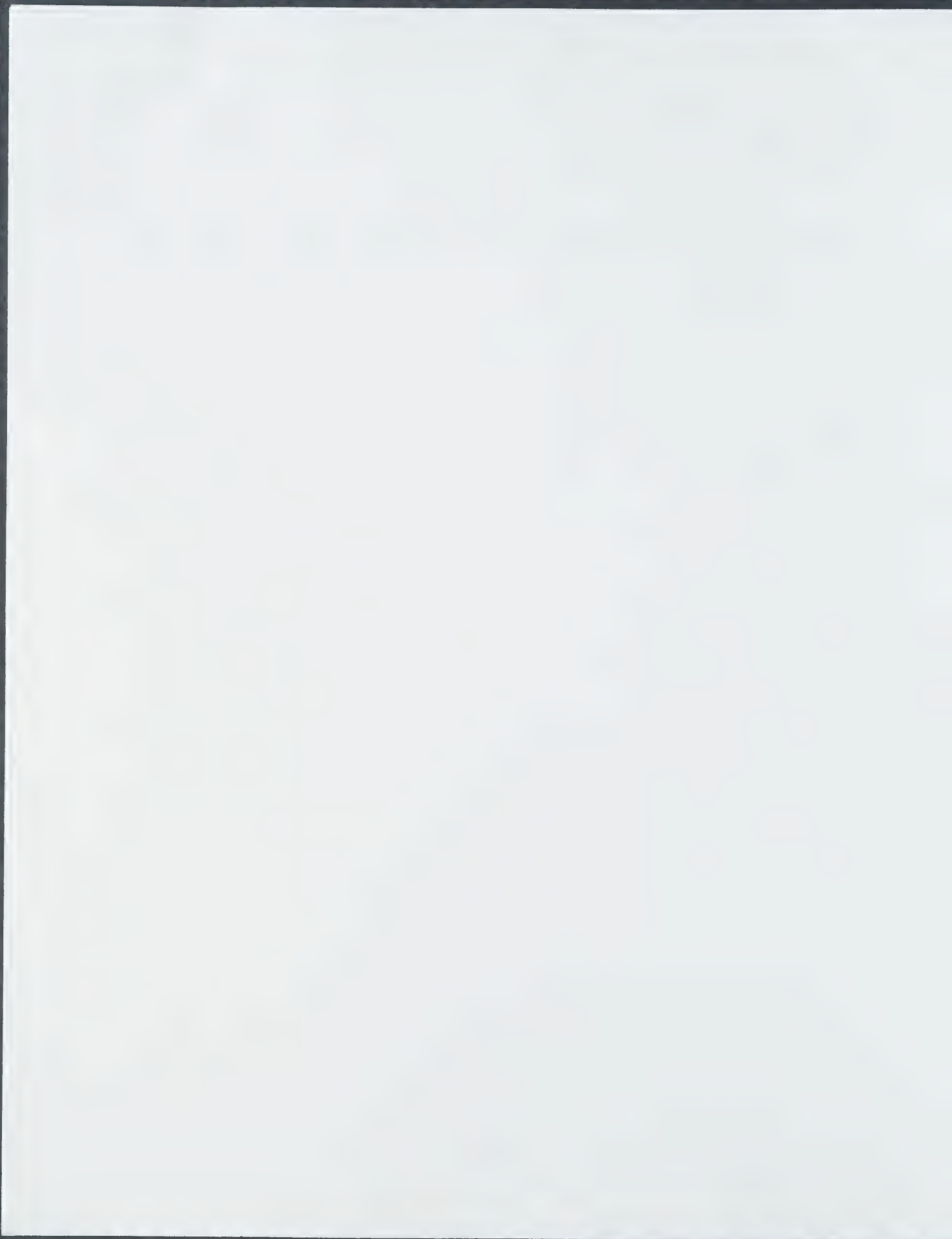
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Isabel and I hope to be in Prague for three days during the second half of June and, of course, very much look forward to seeing you.

Best wishes, as always,

AB/cw

C: Bob Wandler





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A Chemist Helping Chemists

August 13, 1996

Dr. Stanislav Radl
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Dear Stan:

I talked to Bob Wandler, the head of the Library of Compounds, and of course, he very much hopes that you will be able to send more samples. The three computer printouts which you requested are going out to you from Aldrich this week.

Over the last few years, you have sent Aldrich a good many samples, and many of these were so interesting that Aldrich has sold all they received. Thus, Bob told me that he would be happy to receive more of these same compounds. Thus, you will find that a good many structures of compounds you sent are not on the computer printouts. That means that Aldrich has none left and would be happy to acquire more.

Unrelated to Aldrich, I am working with a company that is looking for really good chemists to make out-of-the-way compounds for the company. Would your Institute be willing to designate one senior chemist and perhaps one or two lab technicians to make compounds for that company? I realize, of course, that this must seem vague to you, but if in principal, your Institute would be interested, I will ask the company to contact you directly.

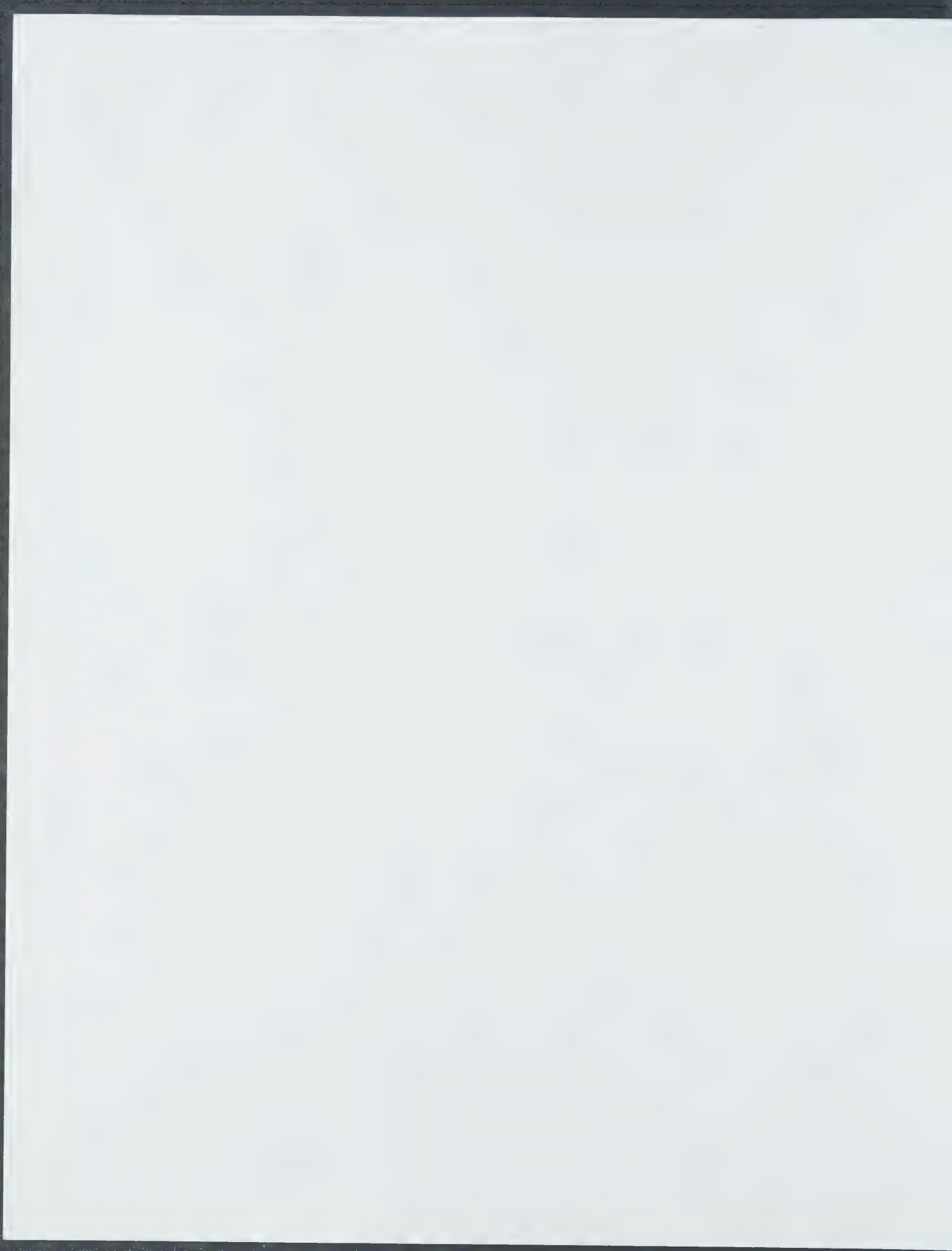
I was delighted to see an article on Professor Zahradnik in a recent *C&E News*, and I enclose a copy.

With all good wishes from house to house, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

AB/cw

Enclosure





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A Chemist Helping Chemists

January 16, 1997

Dr. Stanislav Radl
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Dear Stan:

I am happy to be able to tell you that Bob Wandler picked up all three collections and, looking over the structures, liked the compounds very much indeed.

He understood that you would like to have payment in three different checks, and I understand that the first of these is going out this week.

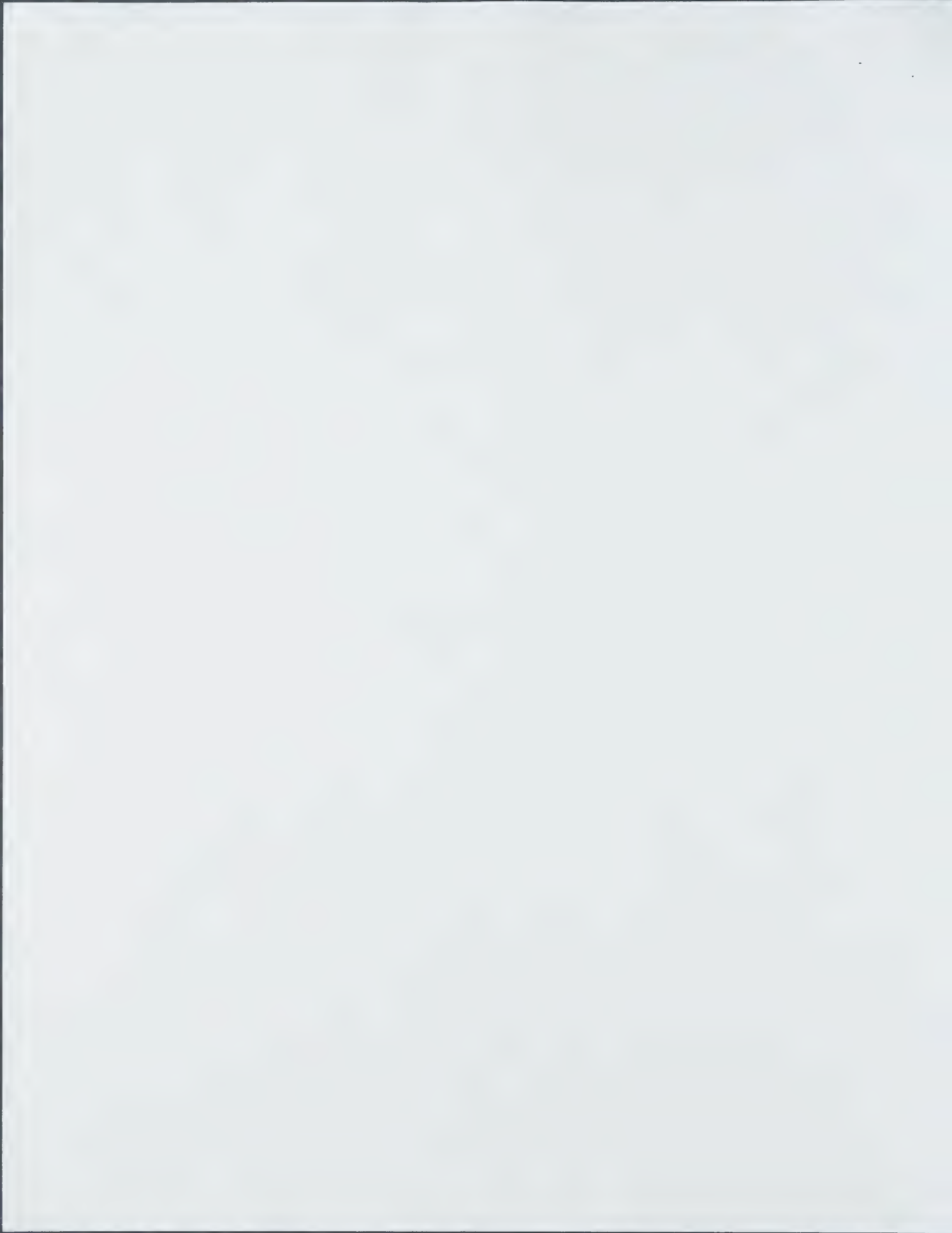
These compounds are so exciting that both he and I hope that you will find many more samples like these.

Could you please help me with the following: My understanding had been that the Bader Award for Young Chemists should be given to organic chemists. Can you locate an earlier announcement for this award, written by the Czech Chemical Society, and then let me know?

With many thanks for all your help and best regards to you and your family, as always,

AB/cw

bc Bob Wandler



Dr. Alfred Bader
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December 1, 1996

Dear Alfred,

I am sending you this letter as I promised in my last short notice. As you probably know, this years' Baders' award was granted to Dr. Vladimir Havlicek from Institute of Microbiology, Czech Academy of Sciences. He is a very good mass spectroscopist and his lecture was good. I am sure that the comittee has chosen the best applicant. Nevertheless, I would prefer having more good synthetic organic chemists which could receive the award.

Yesterday I received a package containing the compouter search results I have asked you during your Prague visit. Bob Wandeler also added a CD ROM disc containing the Library of rare chemicals but I must learn how to handle with it. The problem is not in hardware configuration (Tom bought a new computer with Pentium 125 and so we have two PCs now) but I do not routinely use ISIS base and therefore I will have to use help option and/or consult the manual frequently. But I am sure that I will be able to use the disc in several weeks.

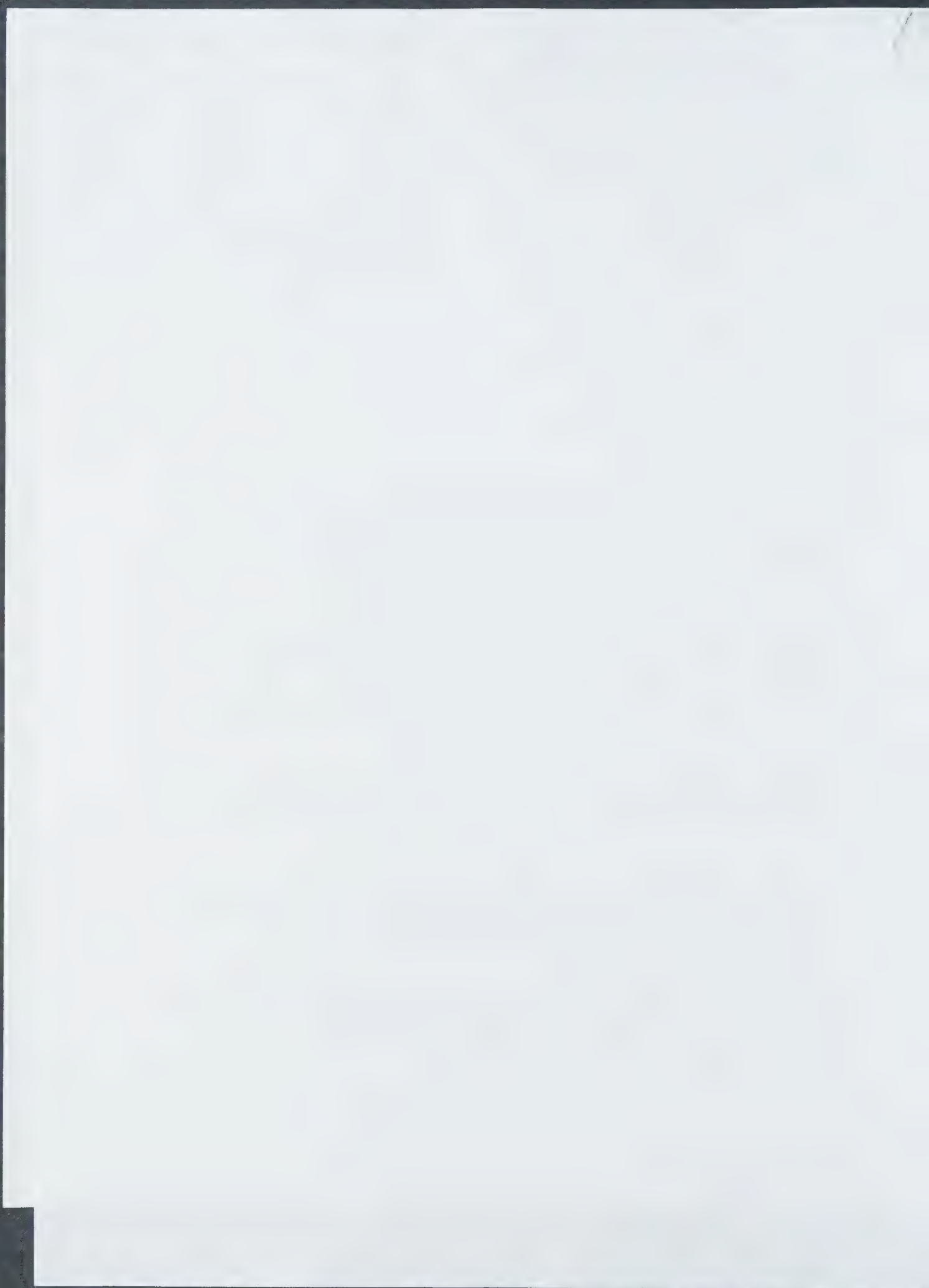
Regarding samples for the Library I suppose that I will be able to send you some samples which I have provided you earlier and which are not listed in the latest computer printout. I also got some samples of benzimidazole derivatives and bis(benzamide)derivatives which I would also like to send you.

I do not know how you can follow our political situation and therefore I add some notes. We have a little bit "hot" spring and summer with two elections to both houses of the Parliament. Since both elections settled a balanced situation, probably the pre-electional fights are over and all main parties will start to work on improving our system of laws.

You can be interested in the fact that Chemapol has become the major stockholder of VUOS Pardubice. I hope that everything is OK with both you and Isabel. Please, try to plan more time for your next visit of Prague so you can spend an evening with us.

With personal regards.

Sincerely,



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December 12, 1996

Dear Alfred:

As I mentioned in my letter of December 1, I had obtained some samples, mainly benzimidazoles and bisbenzamides, which could be suitable for Aldrich Library of Rare Chemicals. This short note is only to say that I divided the samples into three lots (75 + 75 + 60 samples, typically in amounts from 1 to 1.5 g) which I have already sent you to your Fine Arts address. I am sorry but it is possible that some samples are sent twice. In spite that the samples are very similar I hope that most of them could be accepted as new additions to the Library. Regarding the payment, please instruct Bob Wandeler to send it in several checks. I suppose that I will be able to send you my older samples which are no more on your list during January 1997.

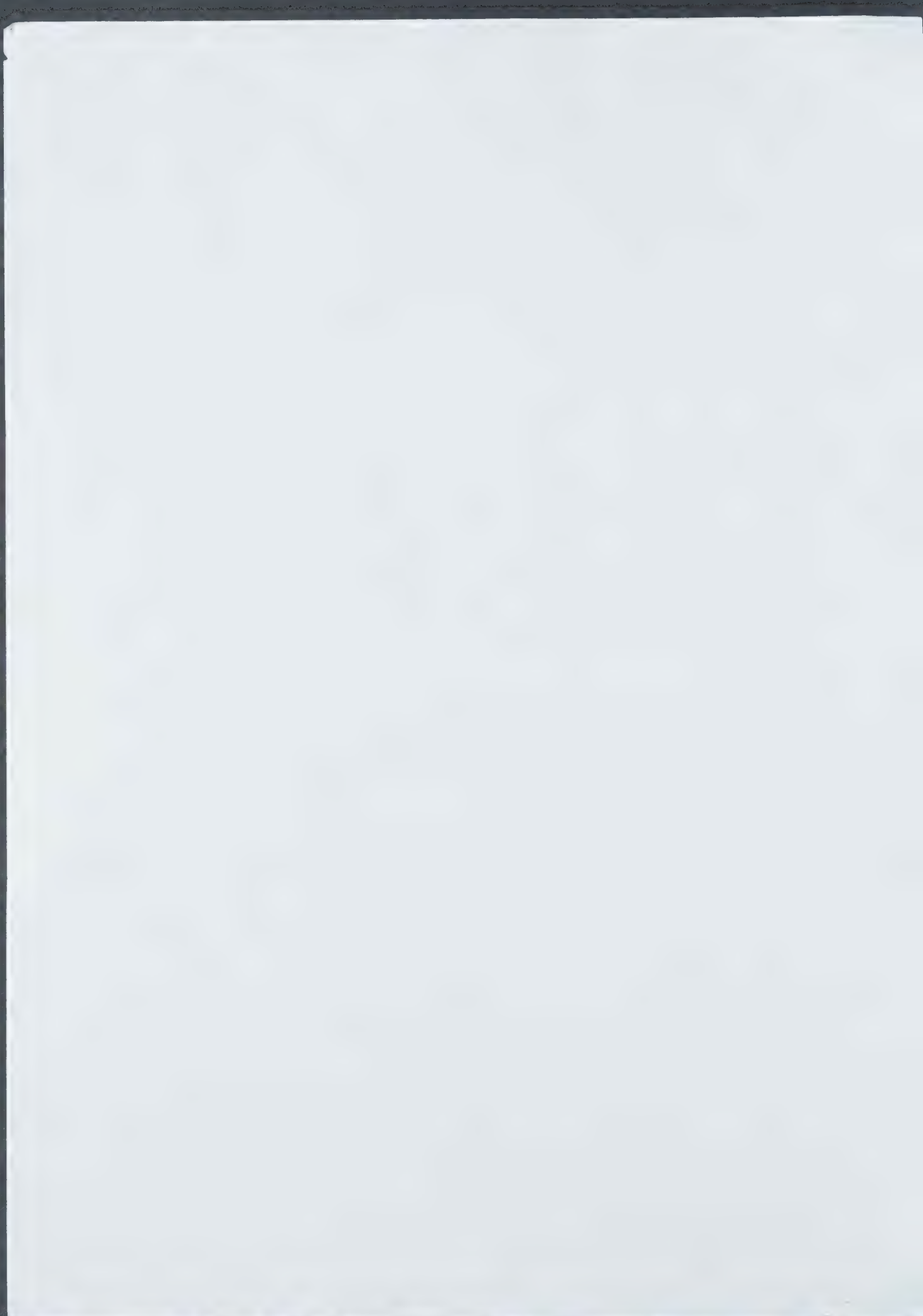
Now I am able to work with the CD ROM disc containing the Library of rare chemicals and use ISIS base for the substructure search. It is very useful and the same system applied to the Sigma-Aldrich catalog must be very useful. I have just received a demo version of ACD (Available Chemicals Directory) and I must say that these new tools really improve ordering of chemicals throughout the world.

Give my best regards to Isabel again.

With personal regards.

Sincerely,





bromadný odběr je možno kontaktovat přímo vydavatele
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Pavel Chuchvalec

Alfred Bader:

Adventures of a Chemist Collector

Wiedenfeld and Nicolson, London 1995. Stran 288

cena 14.99 GBP

Při poslední návštěvě Prahy mi můj přítel a známý podporovatel světové a zvláště české chemie a historie umění dr. Alfred Bader věnoval svou autobiografickou knihu "Adventures of a Chemist Collector". Po řadě více či méně biografických článků, z nichž pro českého čtenáře jsou asi nejpřístupnější články v *Aldrichimica Acta* (17, 3 (1984)) a v *Chemických Listech* (86, 315 (1992)), se do rukou čtenářů dostává kniha autobiografická

Knihla je členěna do 24 kapitol pokrývajících jednak jednotlivé etapy života dr. Badera, jednak jeho hlavní aktivity vědecké, obchodní, sběratelské a mecenášské

V kapitolách Childhood, Internment, Queen's University a Harvard popisuje své dětství v Rakousku, útek před Hitlerem do Anglie, internaci v Kanadě a následné vzdělávání. Přitom neopomíjí ani údaje odborné, včetně chemického zaměření své práce.

Další kapitoly (Aldrich, Collecting Chemicals, Searching for Suppliers, Friends and Competitors, Joint Ventures, Sigma-Aldrich) popisují fascinující historii založení firmy Aldrich a sepětí dr. Badera s rostoucí firmou. Zvláště dobře jsou popsány jeho významné aktivity, které odlišily firmu Aldrich od ostatních dodavatelů chemikálií, a byly základem úspěchu firmy. I přes měnící se podmínky by zvláště tyto části byly jistě podnětné i pro novodobé podnikatele z řad chemiků. Zvláštní pozornost je věnována také vylíčení atmosféry panující ve firmě Sigma-Aldrich až po vypuzení dr. Badera z vedení firmy v roce 1992 (kapitoly Sigma-Aldrich a My Expulsion). Vylíčení vztahů ve vedení společnosti, přístupu jednotlivých vedoucích pracovníků firmy k jednotlivým případům a další detaily jistě přesvědčí většinu nezaujatých čtenářů o argumentech dr. Badera.

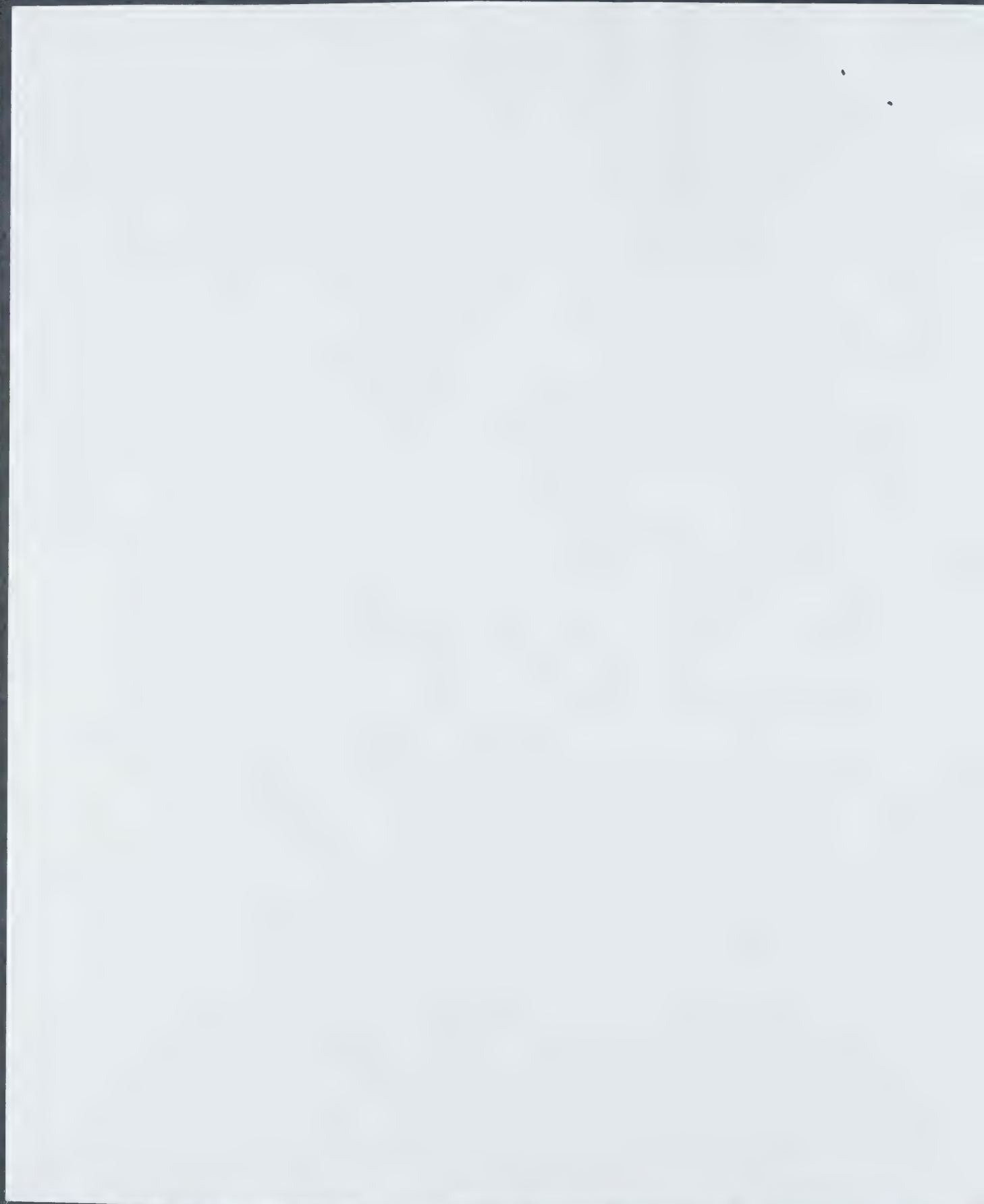
Osoba dr. Badera je vskutku nepředstavitelná bez jeho cest mezi chemickými pracovišti po celém světě (Tribute to Universities) a bez jeho sběratelských aktivit

(Collecting Chemicals, Paintings, Trophies of the Hunt) Pro české chemiky je zvláště zajímavá kapitola týkající se lásky dr. Badera z posledních let, totiž objevení neznámých fakt ze života a díla Josefa Loschmidta. Kromě jiného Bader na základě faktu dokazuje, že Loschmidt již před Kekulém objevil správnou strukturu benzenu. Pro podobnost Loschmidtových formulí s molekulovými modely jej Bader často nazývá otcem molekulového modelování a zdůrazňuje, jaký pokrok do soudobé chemie by přineslo kdyby byly Loschmidtovy objevy ve své době doceněny a využívány. Z množství cen, darů a stipendií, které dr. Bader dosud zřídil, se o některých z nich zmiňuje v kapitole Caveat Donor. Jeden z jeho posledních činů tohoto typu rozvádí ve zvláštní kapitole. Jedná se o bývalou královskou observatoř zámek Herstonceux, který dr. Bader koupil za více než 10 milionů dolarů, aby jej daroval svému alma mater pro zřízení studijního střediska této kanadské univerzity v Anglii

V průběhu knihy se čtenář dozví mnoho zajímavých informací o všech aspektech autorova života. Nevychybá ani otázkami hluboce osobním (Isabel and Danny, David and Daniel). Autobiografické partie jsou zpestřeny postřehy z autorových cest, jednání s vědci a obchodníky s chemikáliemi i s uměním a přáteli z jiných oblastí. Někteří čtenáři mohou být občas zmateni množstvím osob, které se v autobiografii objevují, stejně jako velkým množstvím zmiňovaných firem a muzeí. Pro jiné však tyto údaje mohou být neocenitelným zdrojem informací dokreslujících osobu a činnost autora. O podrobný výklad nebudou ochuzeni ani čtenáři z řad chemiků či historiků umění. Zvláště cenná je tato kniha pro chemiky zabývající se historií svého oboru. Přináší totiž mnoho zajímavých informací o řadě velikánů vědy, s kterými se autor během svého plodného života setkal. Podstatné ovšem je, že velmi čtivě jsou pasáže netýkající se odbornosti čtenáře. Informativnost a napínavost životního příběhu dr. Badera a v neposlední řadě styl této autobiografie z ní dělá knihu, která se čte jedním dechem. Jakékoli údaje jsou podloženy citacemi na literaturu, což v případě autobiografie není zcela obvyklé, ale dokresluje smysl dr. Badera pro přesnost a detail. Neocenitelný je i rozsáhlý rejstřík

Autoři recenzí obvykle v závěru hodnotí dílo z hlediska jeho přínosu pro čtenáře či knihovny. Přestože si plně uvědomuji obtížnou finanční situaci našich chemiků a odborných knihoven, domnívám se, že různorodé informace životní moudrost a optimismus, vyvěrající z této knihy bohatě stojí za tuto investici

Stanislav Rádl



Alferd Bader: **Adventures of a Chemist Collector** (ISBN 0 297 83461 4)

Wiedenfeld and Nicolson, London 1995. Pages 288, price 14,95 BRP .

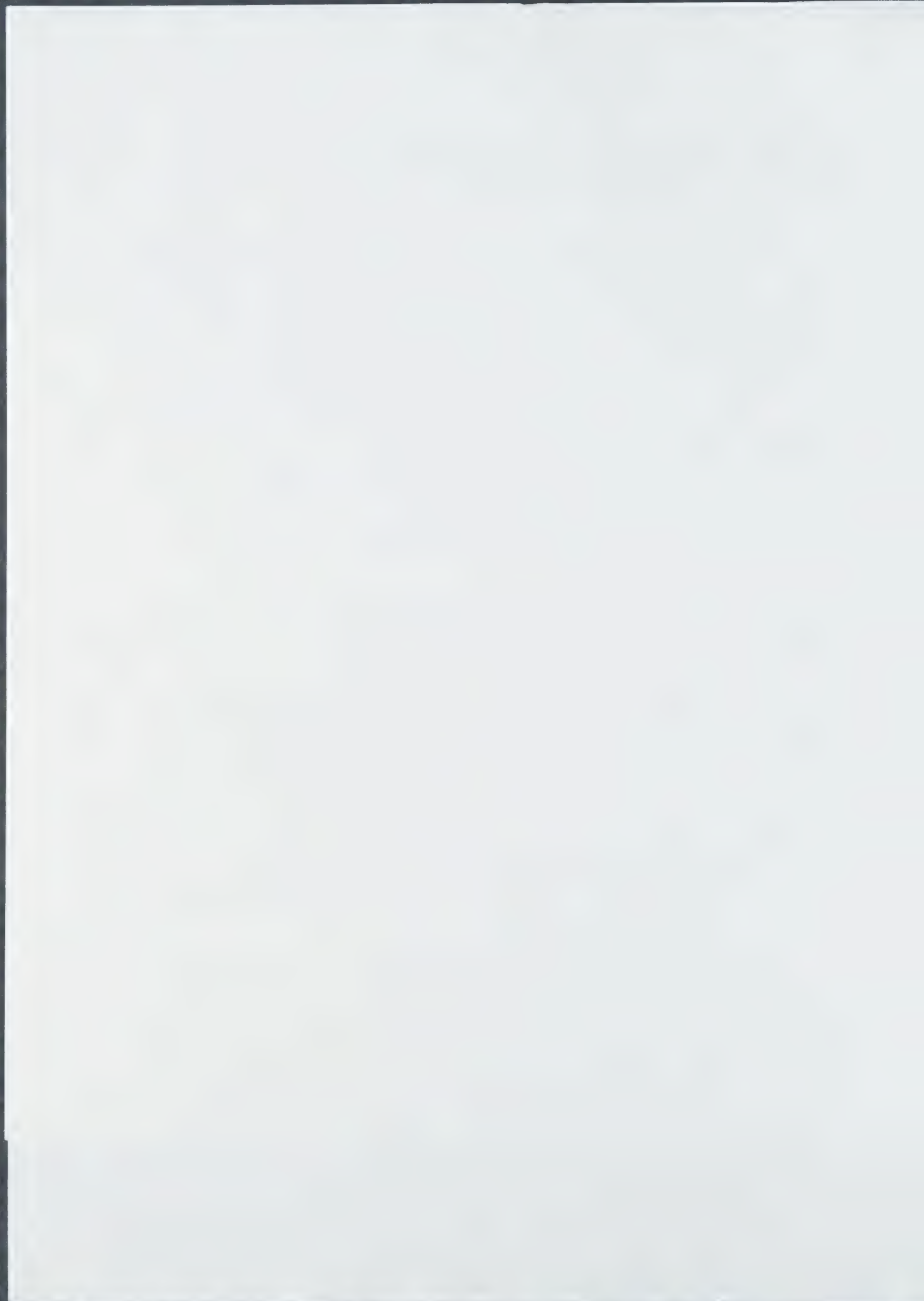
During his last visit of Prague my friend and a well-known supporter of chemistry and art history, especially Czech ones, Dr. Alfred Bader gave me his autobiography "Adventures of a Chemist Collector". After several more or less biographical articles, from which the most accessible for the Czech readers are articles published in *Aldrichimica Acta* (17, p. 3, 1984) and in *Chemicke Listy* (86, p. 315, 1992), readers can enjoy this autobiographic book.

The book is divided into 24 chapters covering individual stages of Dr. Bader's life, its main scientific, business, collector's and philanthropic activities.

In chapters Childhood, Internment, Queen's University and Harvard the author describes his childhood in Austria, his flight to England ahead of Hitler, his internment in Canada and following education. He did not omit also professional aspects, including chemistry of his interest.

Further chapters (Aldrich, Collecting chemicals, Searching for suppliers, Friends and competitors, Joint ventures, Sigma-Aldrich) describe a fascinating history of foundation of Aldrich Chemical Company and Dr. Bader's commitment to the growing company. His activities which distinguished Aldrich from other suppliers of fine chemicals and which were essential for the enormous growth of the company are especially well described. Despite the fact that today's conditions are different, especially these parts could be useful for chemists who are starting their own businesses. Particular attention is paid also to the description of the atmosphere in Sigma-Aldrich from the merge to Dr. Bader's expulsion in 1992 (chapters Sigma-Aldrich and My expulsion). Description of interpersonal relations in the top management, attitude of individual company managers to various situations and other details must persuade unbiased readers about Dr. Bader's arguments.

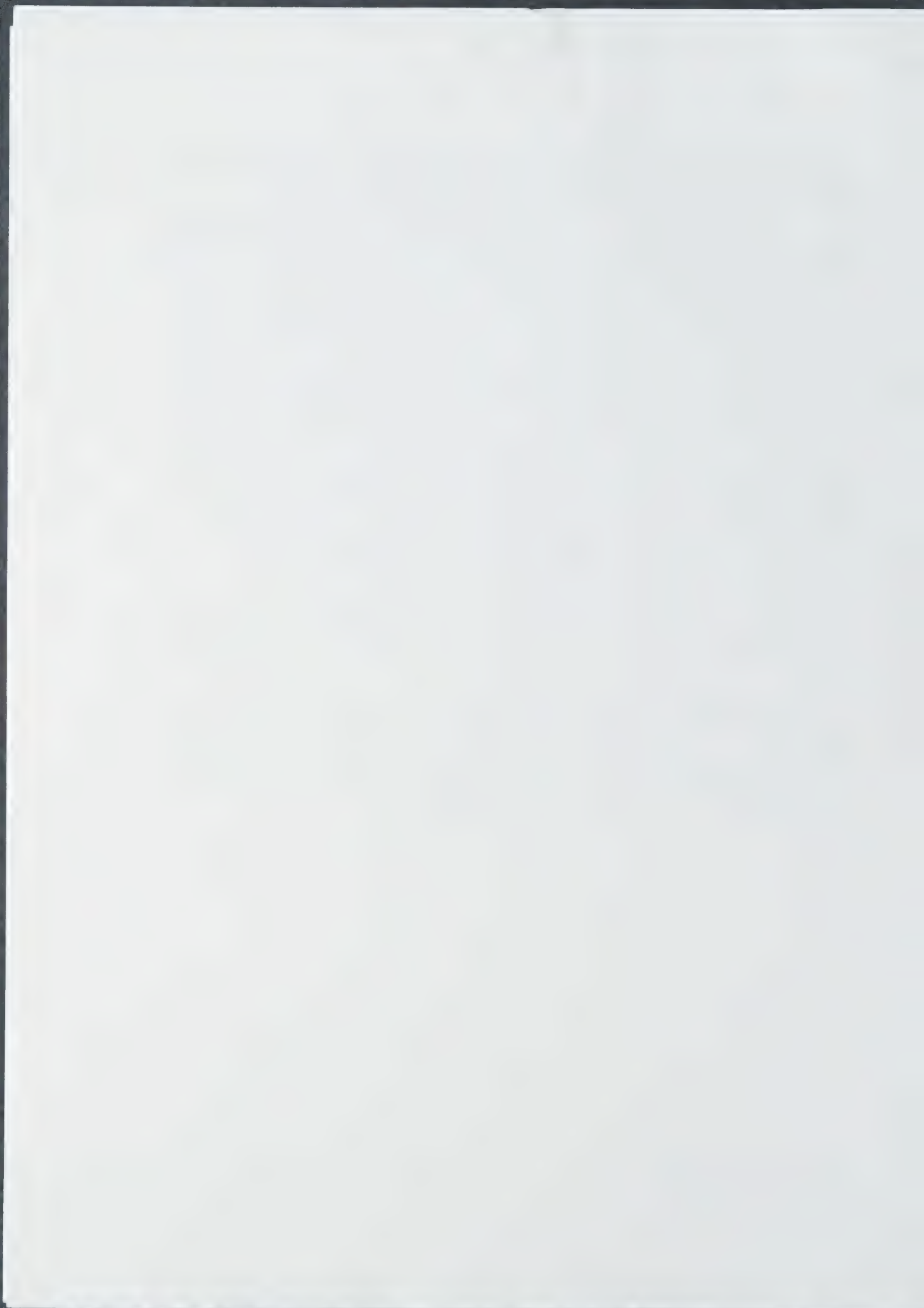
It is not possible to imagine Dr. Bader's personality without his trips between chemical laboratories all over the world (Tribute to Universities) and without his collector's activities (Paintings, Trophies of the Hunt). Especially Czech chemists can be interested in the chapter dealing with Dr. Bader's affection of the recent years, which is the discovery of unknown facts from the life and work of Josef Loschmidt. From many awards, gifts and fellowships established by Dr. Bader, he mentions some of them in chapter Caveat Donor. One of the most recent gift he describes in a special chapter. This generous gift is a former royal

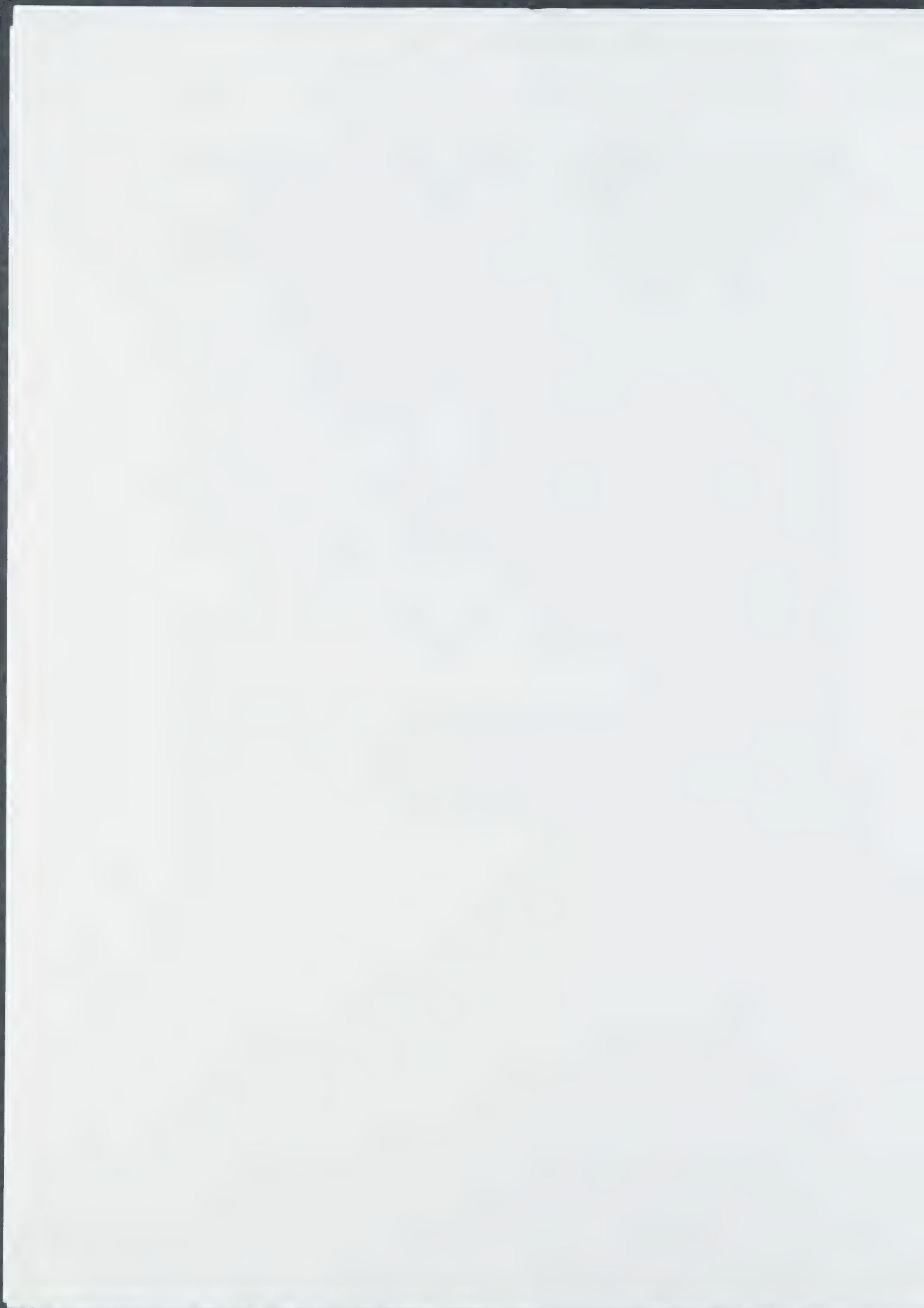


observatory Herstmonceux bought by Dr. Bader for more than ten million dollars and given to his alma mater for starting a study center of this Canadian University in England.

Reading the book gives the reader many interesting points dealing with all aspects of the author's life. He does not avoid even religious and quite personal issues (Isabel and Danny, David and Daniel). Autobiographic parts are enriched by the author's observations from his journeys and his meetings with scientists, people from chemistry and art business and with other friends. Some readers could be confused by high number of persons as well as numbers of companies and museums mentioned in the autobiography. For other readers this feature could be an invaluable source of information which illustrates the author's activities. Both chemists and art historians will be surely satisfied by comments of a true expert. This book is especially valuable for readers interested in history of chemistry since it brings many interesting details about famous scientists who Dr. Bader has met during his fruitful life. An essential feature of this book is, however, that even parts which deal with matters quite remote from the reader's specialization are written very readably. Any particular information is well documented by literature references which is quite uncommon in autobiographic book but it well demonstrate Dr. Bader's sense for details. An extensive index is an invaluable part of the book.

At the end of book reviews authors usually evaluate the book from the point of their usefulness for the potential readers and/or libraries. In spite I fully realize the difficult situation of our chemists and scientific libraries, I believe that abundance of information, life wisdom and optimism that come from the book justify this expenditure.





Czech trip
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April 28, 1997

Dear Alfred:

As your visit to Prague is approaching I am looking forward to meeting you. I must inform you that last year I bought a new car (again Skoda), which is relatively small but really reliable. Therefore I am able to take you where you want both inside and outside Prague and therefore feel free to ask me. I would really appreciate if you can send me a rough schedule of your trip to the Czech republic, especially your Prague visit.

Regarding my work, nothing has changed but big changes are probable since our Institute should be privatized till the end of this year. Additional unpredictable but necessary changes will be caused by privatization of Leciva Praha which should be done till the end of July. Our institute has most of its money from contracts with Leciva, for example, my research program on analgesics is financed from 50% by Leciva and 50% by a grant from the government.


In January I became an editor of our chemical journal Collection of the Czechoslovak Chemical Communications and therefore I am busy to learn a lot of things regarding editing now. I have served as an reviewer for this journal but this is a new experience and I hope I will like it.

Majka is rather busy in her job, she is a head of a development group in Astrid which is a Czech cosmetic firm. She is very often abroad, especially in Germany and I believe it is very hard for her. Now she is in Bologna (Italy) attending a cosmetic fair.

Tom has changed a lot during the last year. He believes to be adult and his behavior is sometimes unbearable. I really do not understand him but I do not like to bother you with my troubles.

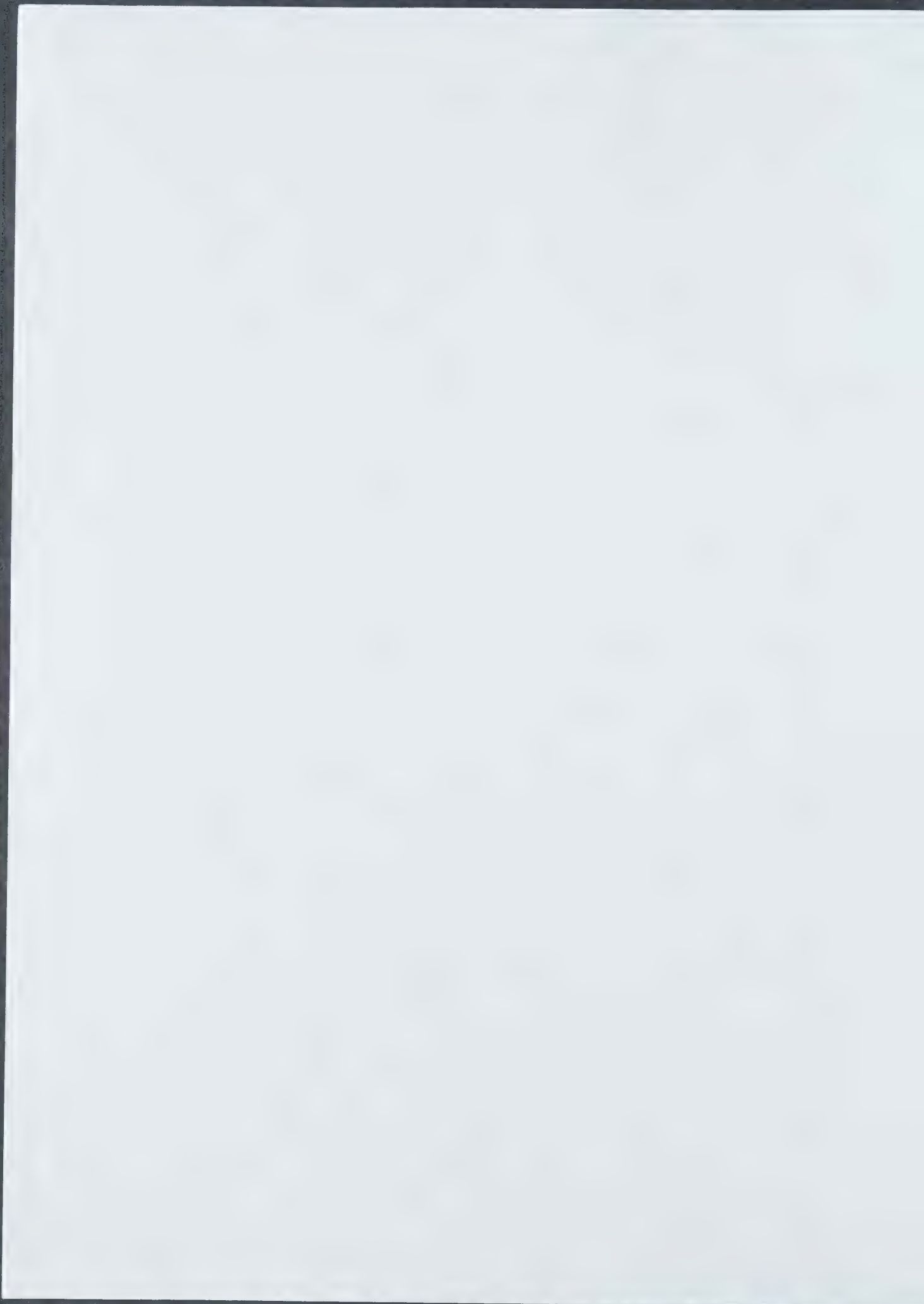
Best regards.

Stan Radl



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Dear Alfred,

Thank you for your letters of May 7 and 9 I have just received.

I am glad to hear that your visit to Prague will take place in the scheduled time since we probably will leave for vacations on ~~June~~ 28. The evening of June 23 is quite suitable to meet with you and I hope that you will be able to take a dinner with us in our apartment. As I have offered to you I can also help you with transportation whenever you like.

Regarding your offer to collaborate with Diversa I am afraid that it is not quite possible at this time. The reason is that there is a great shortage of productive chemists in Prague. Our Institute has some contracts with several Czech companies as well as with Novo Nordisk and we all must work hard to fulfill the contracts which is essential for our Institute to survive. I am in charge of a project and frankly said it is very tough to keep pace and I am not able to prepare samples for Diversa. Of course, these long-term research contracts are paid much better than ordinary custom synthesis. Since our Institute has not been sufficiently reorganized our expenses, mainly for large section of pharmlology and many clerks, are too high. However, a former colleague has founded his own company and besides his contracts he is able to produce a limited number of samples. Though his production might be also more expensive than you expect, this is probably the only way I can be helpful in this matter now. Since your visit to Prague is approaching, our idea is that you can bring a list of about 10 compounds and he would consider the list and send you his suggested prices in about two weeks needed to consult the literature. In case of compounds prepared earlier by myself he would pay me a fee for consultation. He will also prepare a list of his compounds which can be prepared in 50 g quantities, of course with the proposed prices. This list I can give you during your visit.

Most of the compounds I have experience with are nitrogen-containing bi- and tricycles, namely quinoline and pyrazolo[3,4-b]quinolines. Nearly all pyrimidine samples were prepared by a former colleague of mine who died several years ago and therefore nobody here has direct experience with these compounds. Many other heterocycles, mainly benzimidazoles, were prepared by a former colleague who retired several years ago. He is not able to work on it but he can give us an advice.

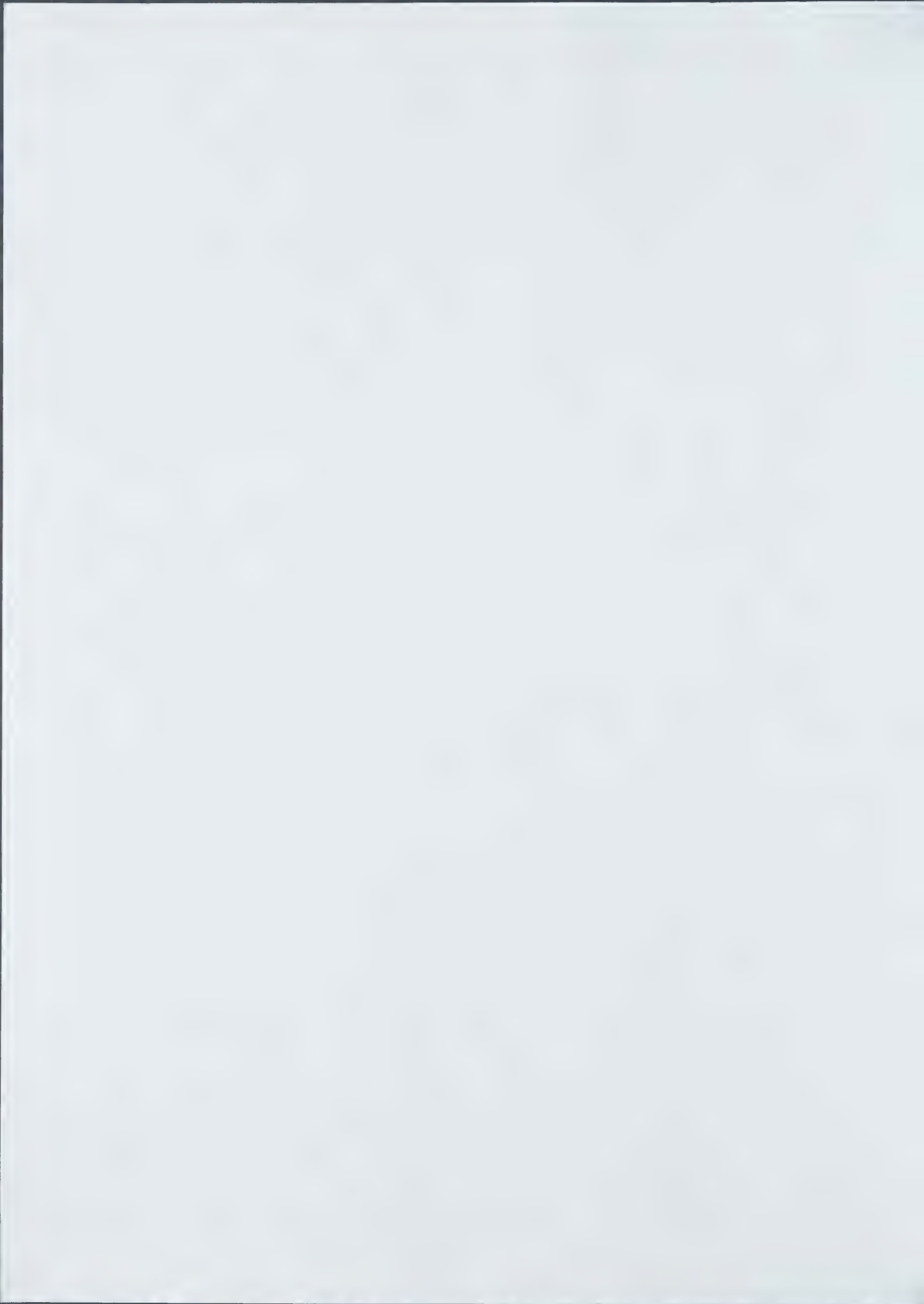
I believe that the best idea is to discuss these matters in details during your visit. Since our Institute is not able to participate in the cooperation now, please do not contact me via fax in this matter.

Thank you.

With regards,

Stan Radl







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A Chemist Helping Chemists

May 19, 1997

Dr. Stanislav Radl
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Czech Republic

Dear Stan:

Thank you so much for your undated letter in response to my letters of May 7th and 9th.

Do you have a fax at home through which I could communicate with you more quickly?

I am sure that in time Diversa will have a list of compounds that it will want to have made, but then probably as starting materials and in quantities of more than 50 grams.

What I was thinking of was that you supply me with a list of heterocyclics which you have made and which you or your friend who started the company could supply to Diversa in 50-gram quantities.

Would it be possible for you to send me a list - even only a small list would help - of compounds that are not commercially available and that you have made or know how to make, that could be supplied in 50-gram lots? If you have access to a fax, could you fax me that list?

Certainly, the compounds with which you have had experience, that is, nitrogen-containing heterocyclics, are exceedingly interesting, and if 50-gram quantities could be bought relatively inexpensively, then I believe Diversa would consider placing an order, and of course, give you and your friend several months to deliver.

Isabel and I much look forward to spending the evening of June 23rd with you.

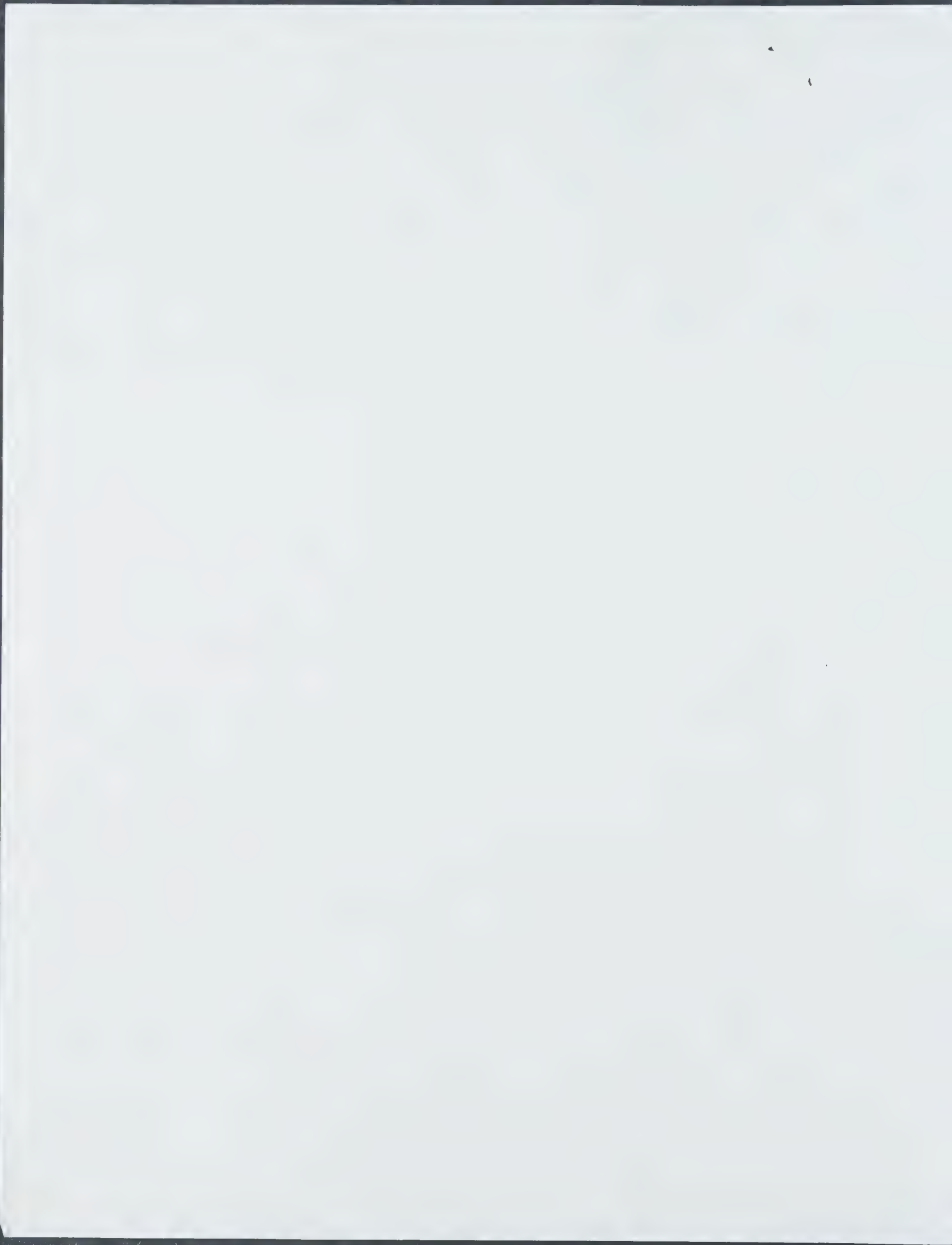
With fond regards from house to house, as always,

AB/cw

bc: Dr. Seth Harrison (via fax w/encl)

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Dr. Alfred Bader
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February 2, 1997

Dear Alfred:

Thank you for your letter of January 16, 1997. I am happy that most of the samples seem to be useful for Aldrich (I have already received a check). Meanwhile I am preparing three more batches of samples, mostly compounds not mentioned in the Library of Rare Chemicals in spite I gave them to you several years ago. I will send them to your Fine Arts address in a week or so. I still have not checked some older pyrimidines I have already provided to you and I hope to do it in a month or two.

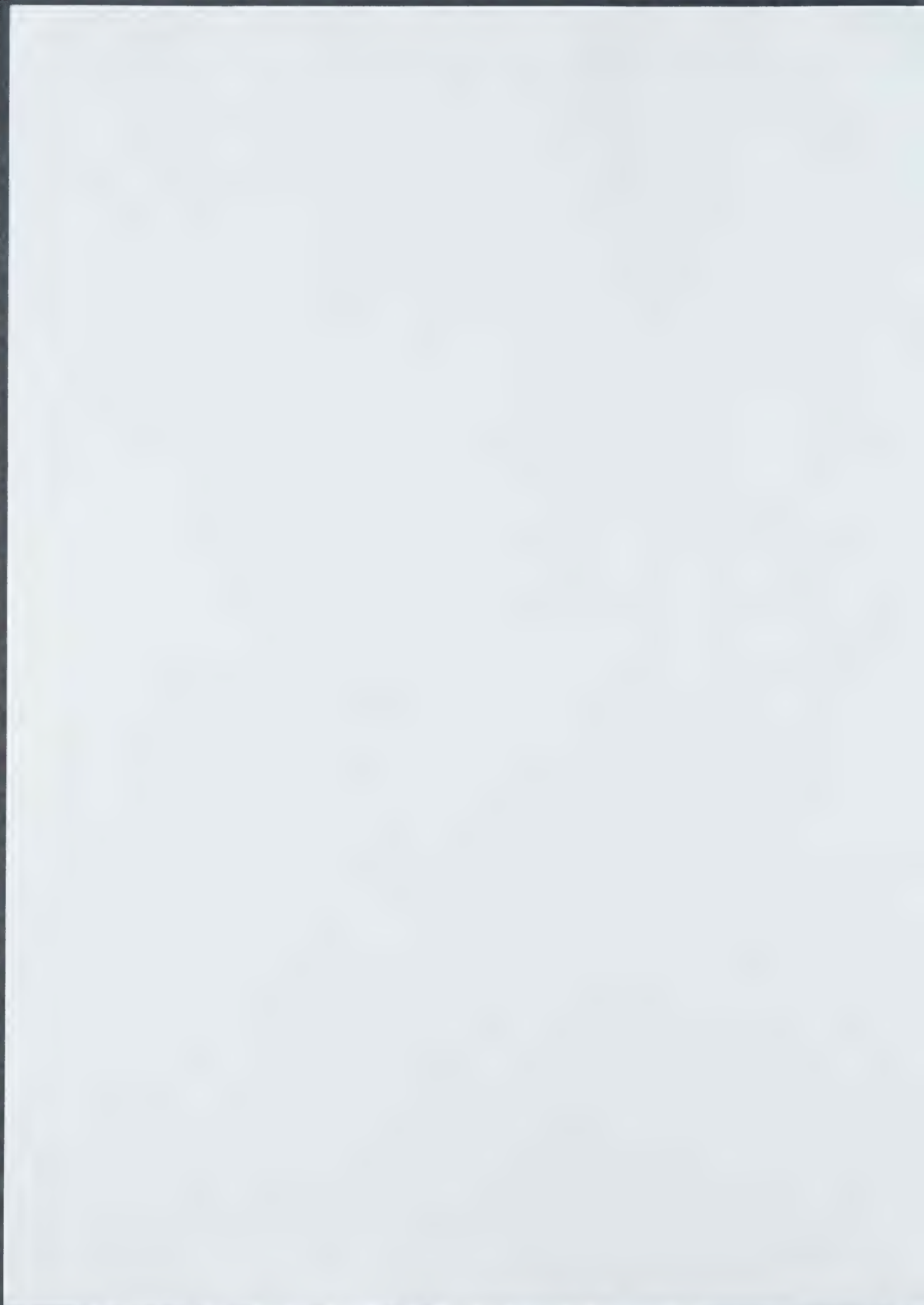
Regarding the Bader Award, I have checked the original announcement published in the Bulletin of the Czech Chemical Society in 1994 (a copy is enclosed). The announcement clearly says that the award is for work in organic and bioorganic chemistry. I suppose that the committee considered the work of Dr. Havlicek as a work from physical organic chemistry. I am sure that after your recent letter to prof. Paleta he will follow the rules more strictly. I do not believe that all recipients could be of the level of the first recipient Dr. Stary but I was told by prof. Paleta that the committee had several nominees with collections of very good papers (I suppose that this time from organic or bioorganic chemistry).

Give my best regards to Isabel again.

With personal regards.

Sincerely,

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March 4, 1997

Dear Alfred:

As you asked me, I have contacted several people to discuss Dr. Havlicek's work. Unfortunately I do not know exactly all his work subjected with the award nomination. However, I heard his speech in Liblice after receiving the award and I suppose that the speech was in line with all of the subjected work. Most people I asked classified his work as something between organic and physical chemistry when I suggested organic, bioorganic and physical chemistry as subjects. However, when I added spectroscopy as an additional possibility, all people agreed that his work in fact fit best into this category.

Regarding names of American chemists working on similar subjects, the only I know is in fact a Czech chemist who moved to the US. He is an excellent mass spectroscopist with a solid background in organic chemistry. I know him from many meetings in Liblice and I am sure he is a knowledgeable person ready to discuss many aspects of organic chemistry. I hope he can be helpful also in your case even I do not know what you exactly want to get from him. His name is Frantisek Turecek and address is bellow.

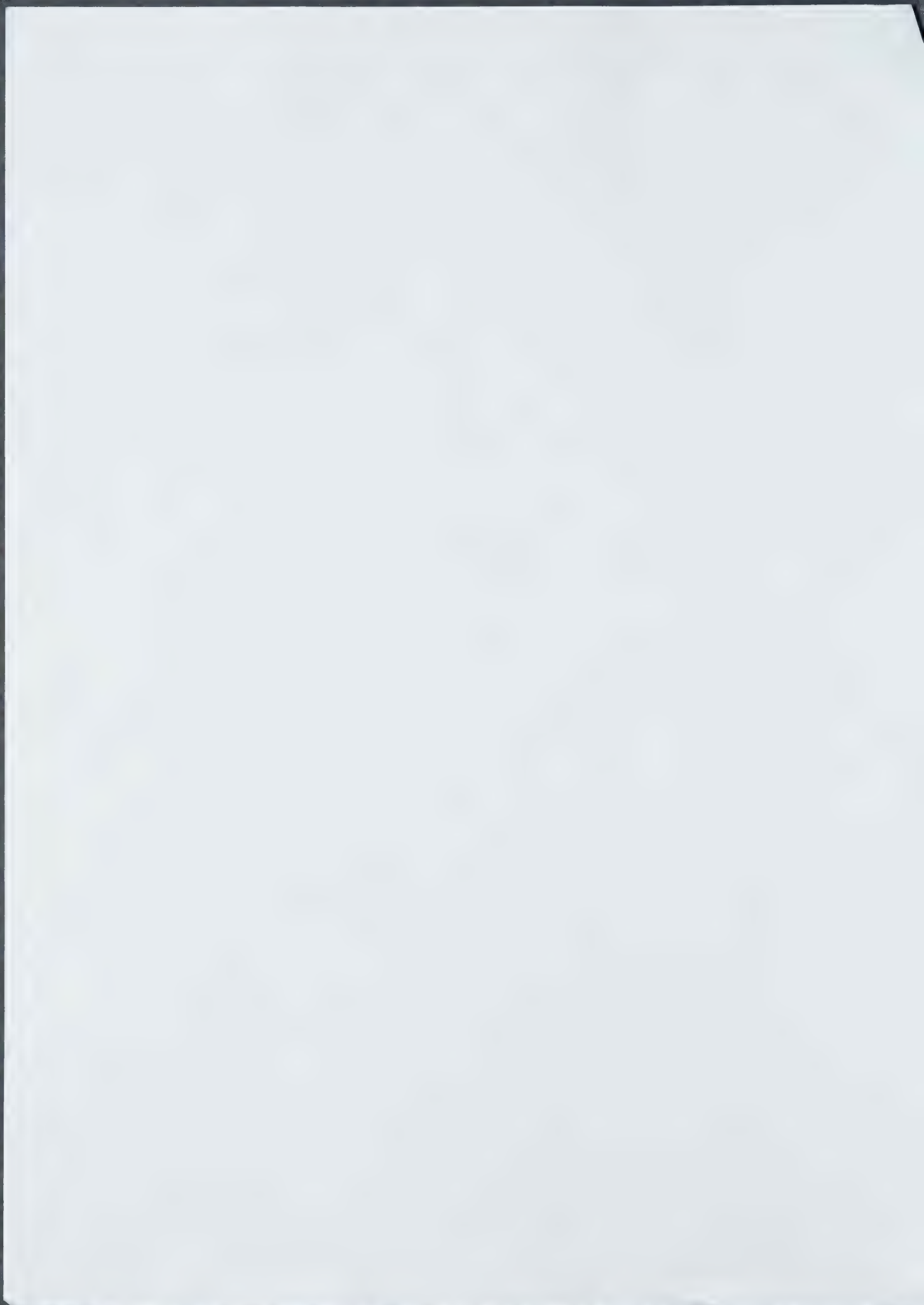
Best regards,

Stan Radl



PS. I have received two checks, one from Jan. 23 (Aldrich reference 01-23-01) and the other from Feb. 17 (02-18-01). If Bob sent more, the rest has probably lost in mail and therefore the payment should be blocked

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A Chemist Helping Chemists

July 30, 1997

Dr. Stanislav Radl
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Czech Republic

Dear Stan:

Thank you so much for your letter of July 21st, just received.

The two collections of samples for Aldrich arrived safely.

Diversa has moved and their new fax number is 1-732--545-4433 and their telephone number is 1-732--828-1093.

The man in charge of the compound acquisition is Dr. Hartmuth Kolb.

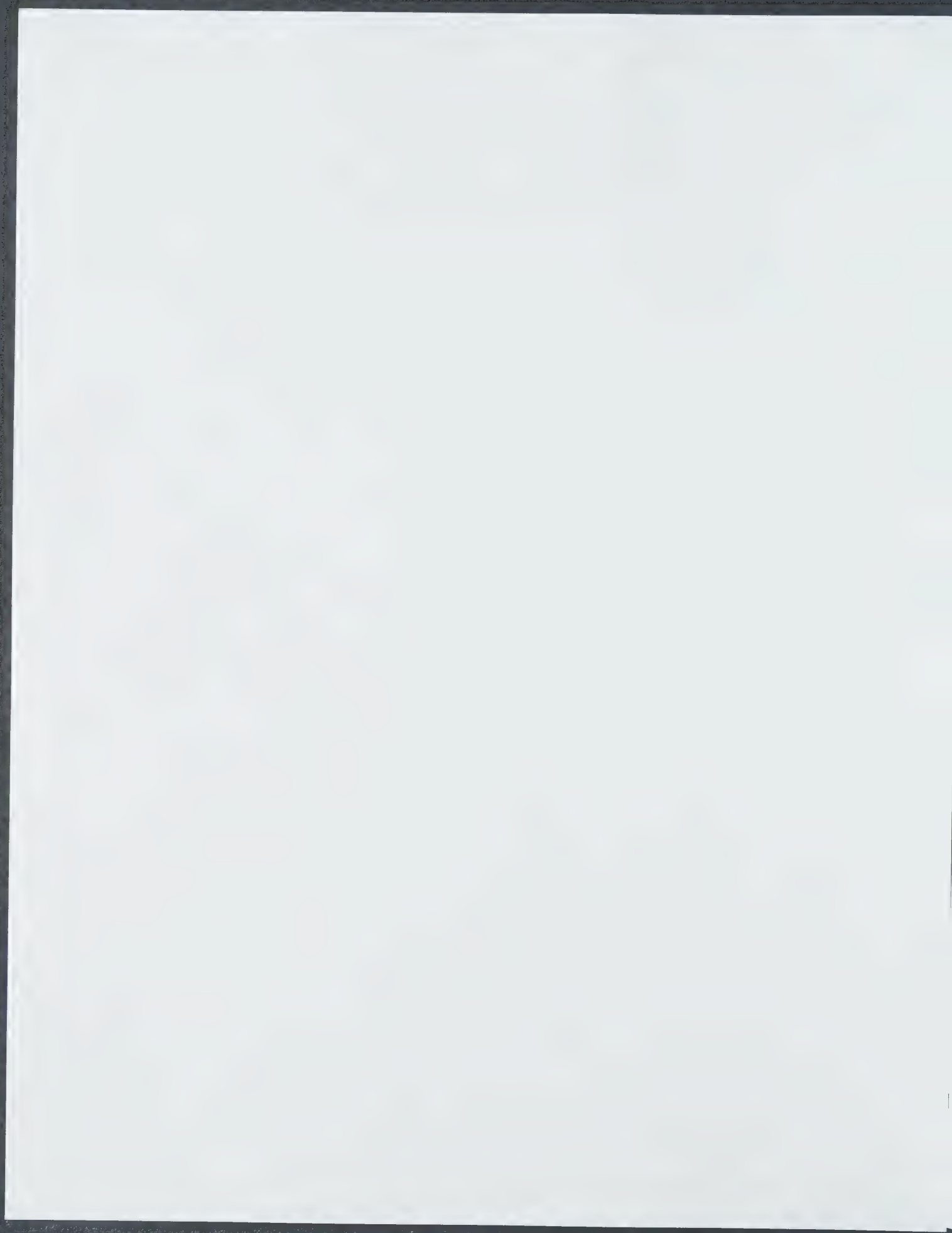
I have carefully considered your prices for 200 g of the six pyrimidines and I do not believe that they are too high. I don't think that Dr. Kolb will think so either and I am sending him a copy of your letter and asking him to fax whatever orders he wants to place directly to you c/o Mrs. Majka Radlova, at Astrid Praha, fax 42 02 800 975. Of course I am urging Dr. Kolb to keep the orders for these pyrimidines, which will be made by you, separate from the orders for the three compounds quoted by you at VUFB in the Kourimska 17. I am asking Dr. Kolb to fax those orders to you at 42 2 673 10261.

With all good wishes, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

AB/nik

cfax: Dr. Hartmuth Kolb, Diversa





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A Chemist Helping Chemists

May 7, 1997

Dr. Stanislav Radl
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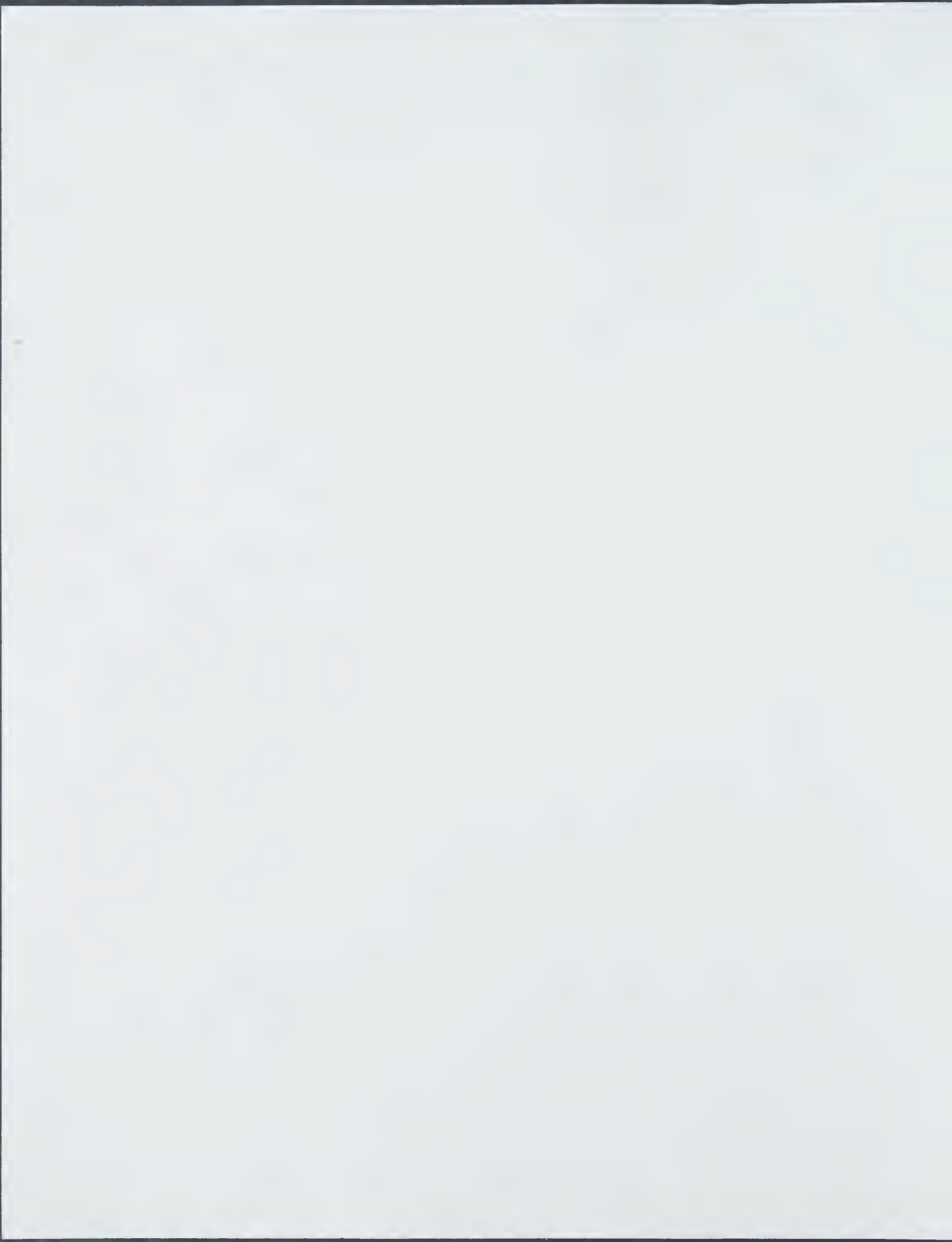
Dear Stan:

Isabel and I will be in Prague, staying in the same apartment, Husova 18, from June 23-25, and of course, we much hope that we can get together.

Did you receive all the payments from Aldrich?

Best wishes, as always,

AB/cw





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May 9, 1997

Dr. Stanislav Radl
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Dear Stan:

Thank you so much for your letter of April 28th, which crossed mine.

I very much look forward to seeing you while we are in Prague, for at least one evening. Would the evening of Monday, June 23rd, be good for you?

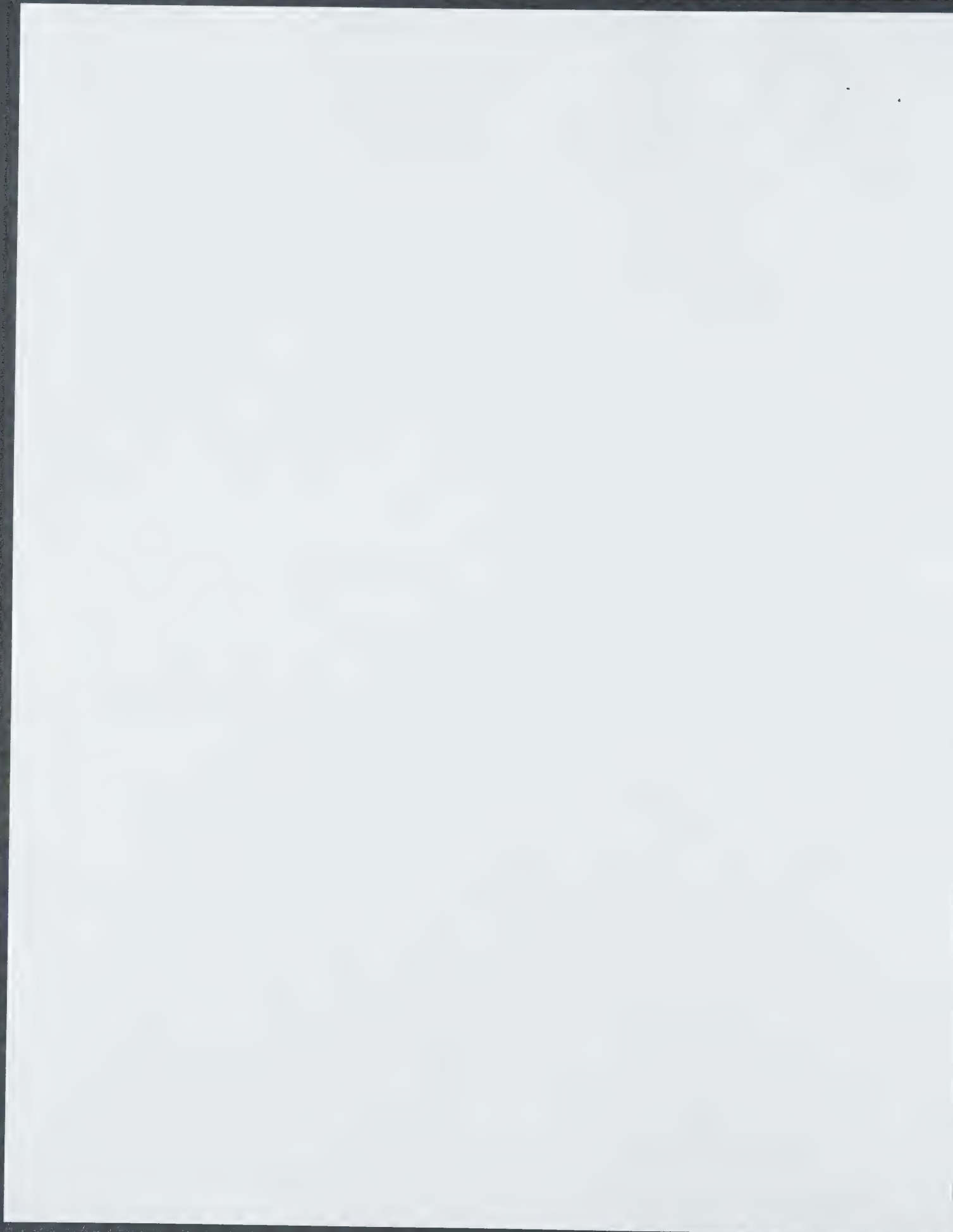
I have become involved with a very interesting chemical company, Diversa Technologies, a company which is the brainchild of two very able scientists, Dr. Seth Harrison and Professor Barry Sharpless, whose work you undoubtedly know.

That company would be interested in acquiring 50-gram lots of many of the heterocyclics which you have been making and which you would be free to sell to Diversa. Of course, I have seen the hundreds of structures of the compounds which you have sent to the Aldrich Library of Rare Chemicals, and many of these would be useful if you could supply 50-gram quantities.

Of course, Diversa would be prepared to pay more than the few dollars per gram sample which Aldrich pays, and of course, some of these compounds would cost considerably more than others.

Naturally, you could only supply compounds which you have not sold to pharmaceutical companies on an exclusive basis.

Would it perhaps be possible for you to make initially a fairly small list of compounds, with structures and with your suggested prices for 50-gram quantities? If that were possible, could you please fax that list to me; my fax number is 1-414/277-0709.



Dr. Stanislav Radl
May 8, 1997
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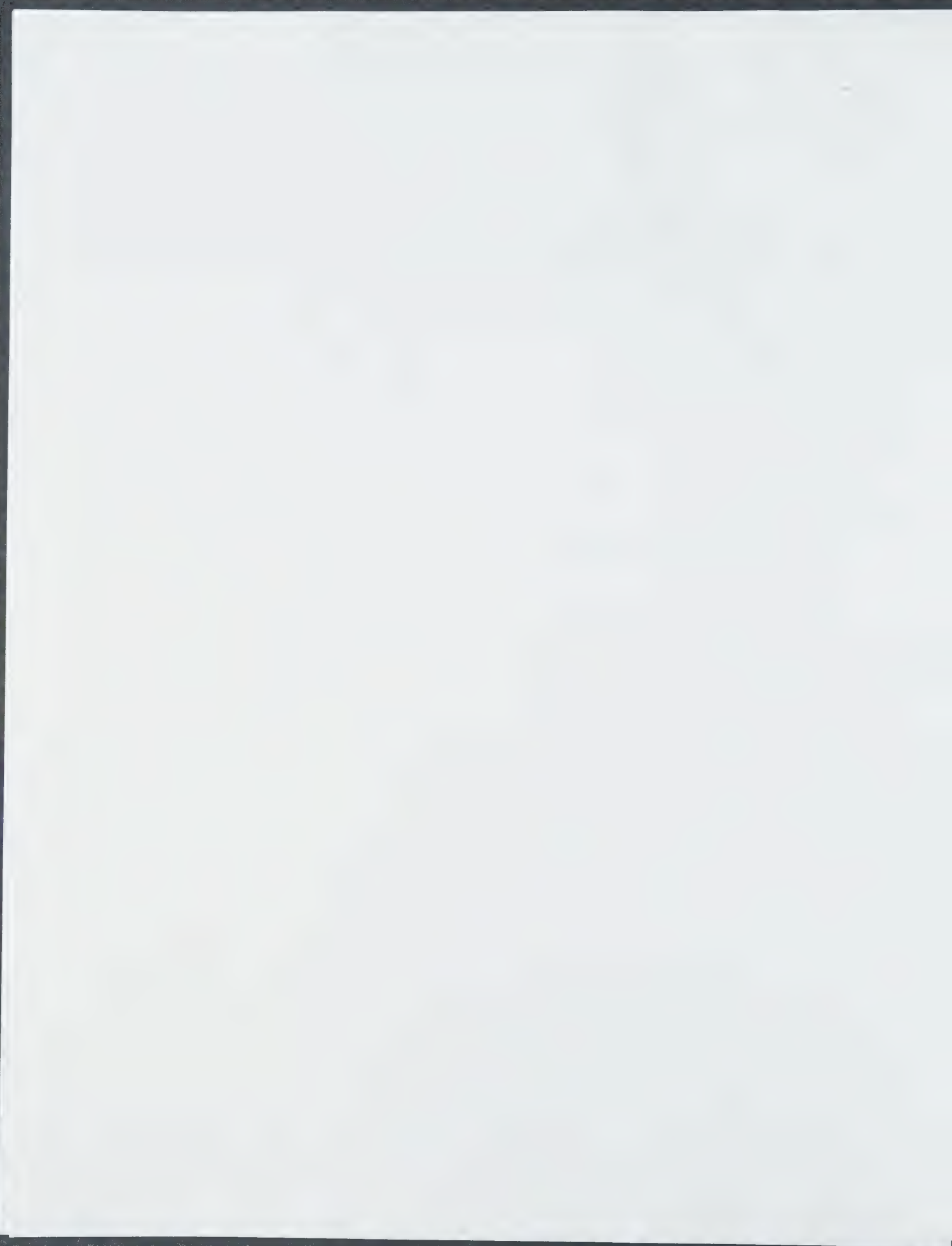
If we could put this initial purchase into place either before or during my visit, then I am sure that it would make sense for you to meet with Dr. Seth Harrison, the president of Diversa, to determine how you might collaborate more closely.

I much look forward to hearing from you and remain,

With fond regards, as always,

AB/cw

c: Dr. Seth Harrison
Professor K. Barry Sharpless





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A Chemist Helping Chemists

May 23, 1997

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To: Dr. Stanislav Radl
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Pharmacy and Biochemistry
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Dear Stan:

In response to your fax of today, there is an opening for a Fellowship for a Czech student at Harvard every year and, in fact, right now there are several because Harvard has so far been able to find only one student who is now working there and doing exceedingly well.

The Fellowship programs at all four universities, Harvard, Columbia, University of Pennsylvania, and Imperial College, are being coordinated and helped by the Foundation for a Civil Society and the very good person in charge is Ms. Hannah Evans. Their address in Prague is: Jeleni 200/03; 118 00 Praha 1; and their phone numbers are: Telephone: 422.2451.0873; ~~Fax: 422.2451.0875~~; E-mail: fcs@fcs.cz. Do speak to Hannah, whom you will find most helpful.

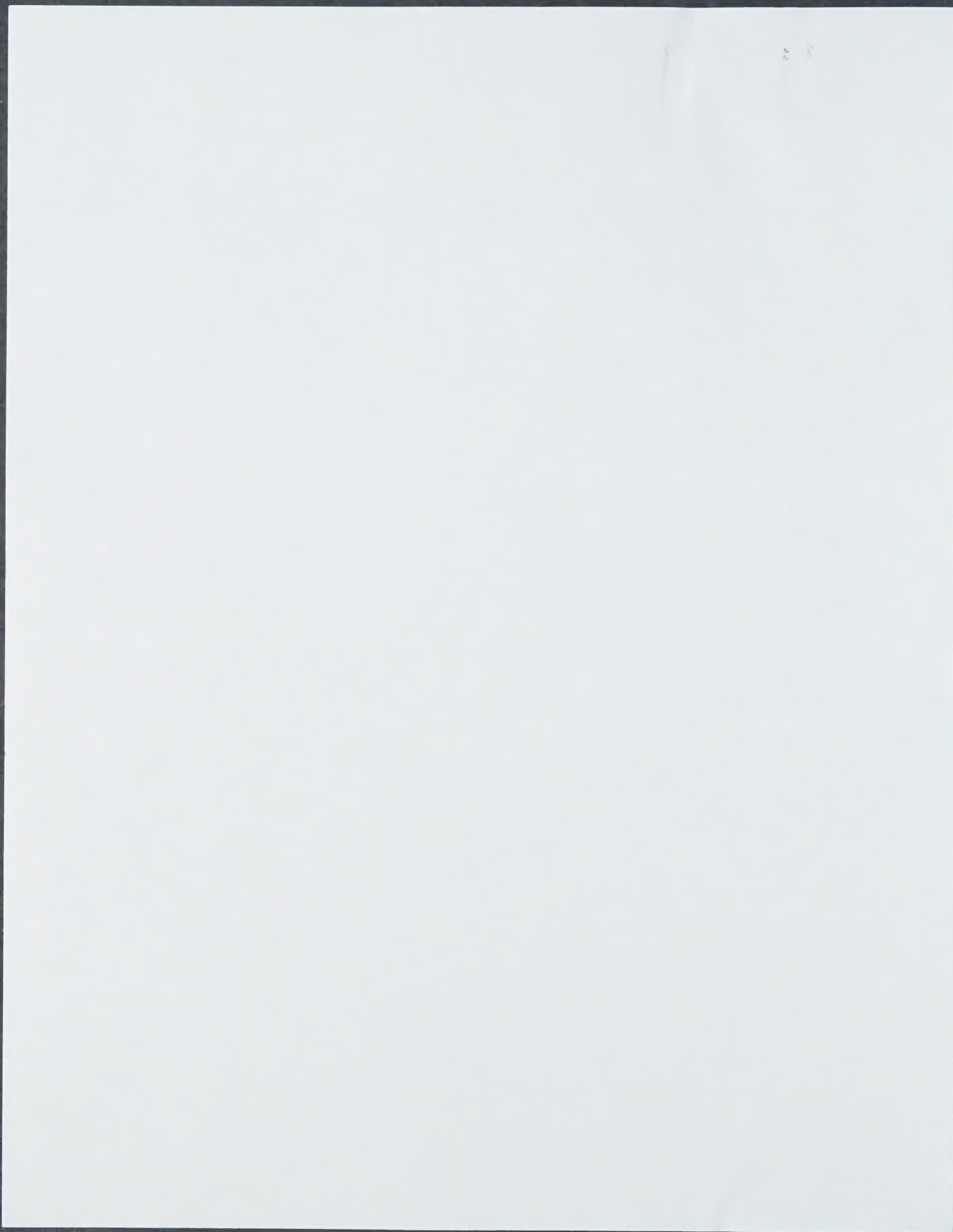
Best wishes, as always,

AB/nik

bc Hannah Evans

This man is an old friend & an
excellent chemist. Please keep him.

Thanks
Alfred





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Dear Alfred,

I would like you to inform me about your scholarships for Czech chemistry students available for new applicants this year. I believe that at least the one at Harvard will be opened. Please, if so, send me the necessary information.

Thank you.

With regards,

Stan

PHILOSOPHY 101

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This course is designed to provide a general introduction to the major areas of philosophy, including metaphysics, epistemology, ethics, and political philosophy. The course will focus on the works of the ancient and modern philosophers.

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