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A Chemist Helping Chemists

April 12, 2001

Mr. Michael Hogan, Secretary
Sigma-Aldrich Corporation
3050 Spruce Street
St. Louis, MO 63103

Dear Michael,

I am really puzzled by the handling of the proxy statements.

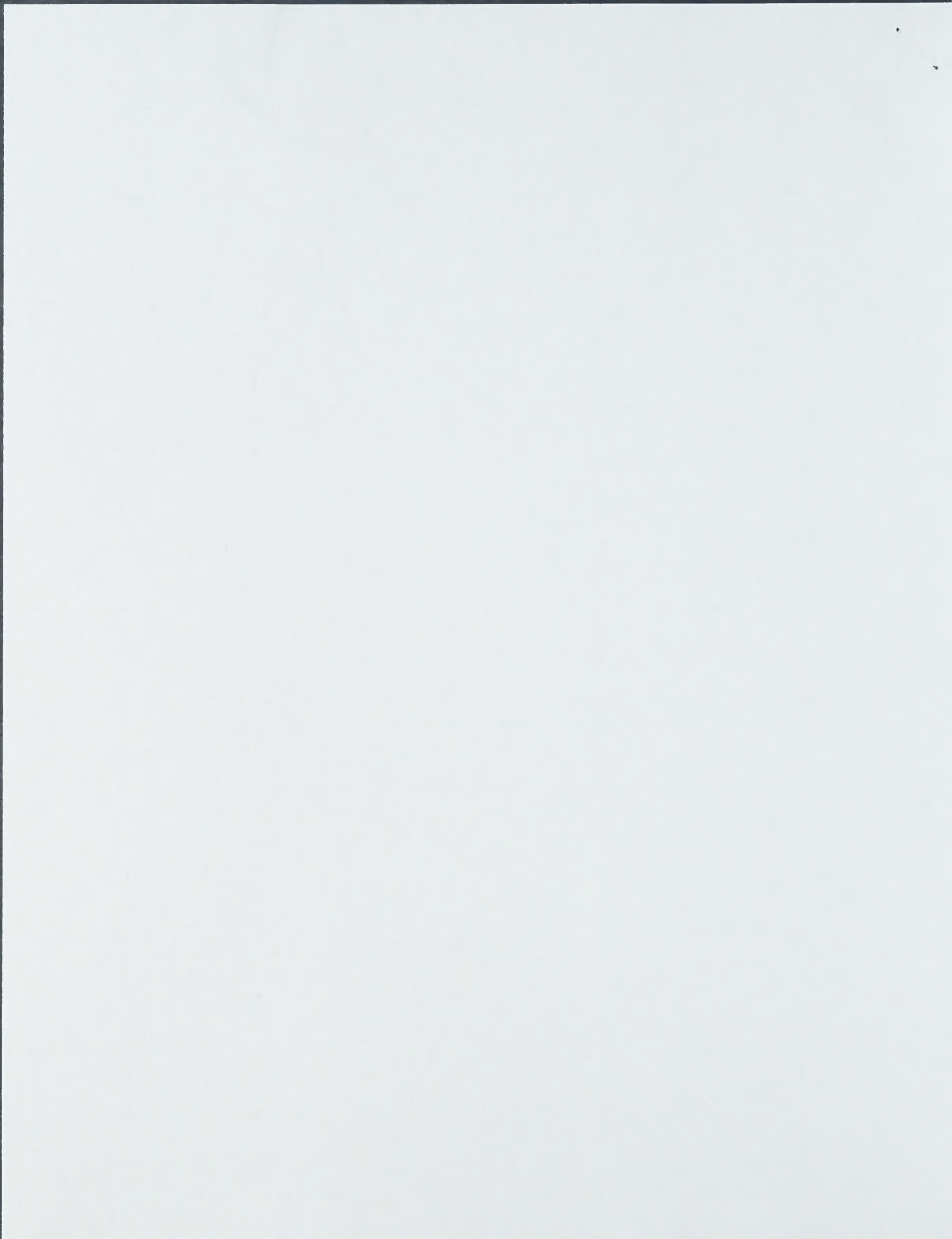
As you will see from the enclosed, two of my proxies go to P.O. Box 9072 in Farmingdale while a third goes to P.O. Box 9141 at the same place. Why is that?

Why do you and David continue to put up with Directors like Andy Newman? He is totally incompetent, ran one St. Louis company, Edison Brothers, into the ground, and cannot possibly do our company any good.

With best wishes I remain

Yours sincerely,

Alfred Bader
AB/az
Enc.



THIS PROXY CARD IS VALID ONLY WHEN SIGNED AND DATED.

SIGMA-ALDRICH CORPORATION

This proxy will be voted FOR item 1 unless otherwise directed, and in the discretion of the proxies on whatever other business may properly come before the meeting.

The Board of Directors recommends a vote FOR the following:

Vote On Directors

- 1. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS: 01) Nina V. Fedoroff, 02) David R. Harvey, 03) David M. Kipnis, 04) Andrew E. Newman, 05) William C. O'Neil, Jr., 06) Jerome W. Sandweiss, 07) D. Dean Spatz, and 08) Thomas N. Urban

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To withhold authority to vote, mark "For All Except" and write the nominee's number on the line below.

For All Except: 0 0 3, 4, 5, 8

The undersigned hereby acknowledges receipt of the Notice of Annual Meeting and accompanying Proxy Statement, each dated March 28, 2001, and hereby revokes all proxies heretofore given by the undersigned for said meeting. This proxy may be revoked prior to its exercise.

If stock is owned in joint names all owners must sign. If signing for estates, trusts or corporations, please indicate title or capacity.

For address changes and/or comments, please check this box and write them on the back where indicated.

Signature: *David R. Harvey* Date: 4/11/01

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Signature (Joint Owners): _____ Date: _____
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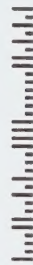


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Sigma Aldrich

Subject: Sigma Aldrich

Date: Thu, 23 Dec 1999 16:46:02 +0100

From: daniel.tumpel@meespierson.com

To: baderfa@execpc.com

Dear Alfred,

As ever I hope that you and Isabel are fine and that you are enjoying your stay in England.

I have continued my research on Sigma Aldrich and we are currently thinking about possible buyers and which role we could possibly play in such a deal. The moment things become more concrete we will get in touch with you.

Today is my last day in the office for this year, tonight I'll leave for Berg en Dal, and then spent the next few days with an old friend of mine near Hamburg where I shall also celebrate new years eve.

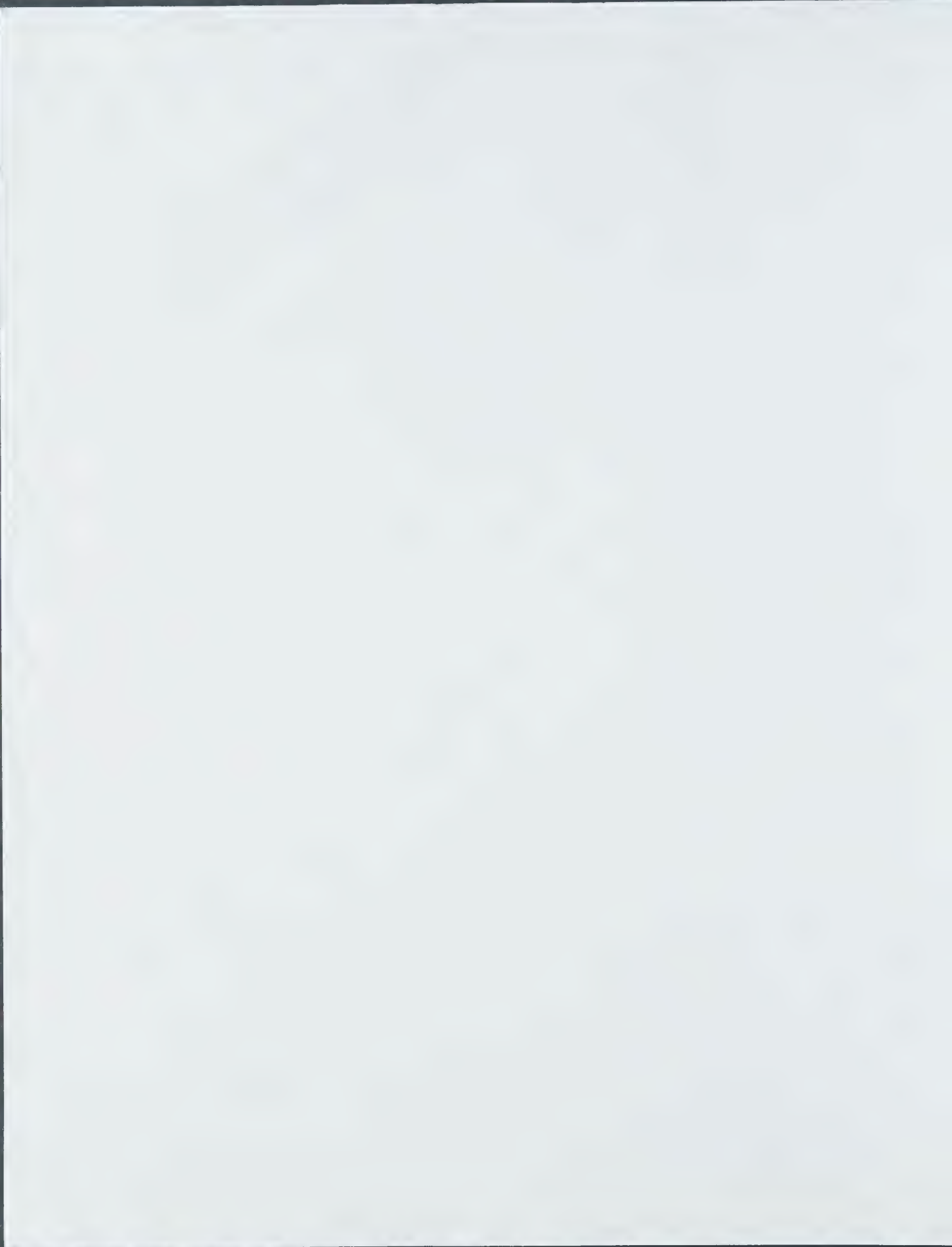
I believe that you told me that you would stay in England so I hope that you will have some more nice weeks there and that you will not have to suffer from the lousy weather.

I wish you and Isabel all the best in every way and also a happy new year .

Always yours,

Daniel

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March 11, 1992

Mrs. Beatrice Vogel-Huber
Ahornweg 14
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Switzerland

Dear Beatrice,

Let me begin my letter by saying to you that there is absolutely no chance whatsoever that anyone who really knows Fluka can have forgotten Dr. Ernst Vogel. As you know, I considered him my good friend, beginning with my visit to you in the restaurant in San Gallen in August of 1952, and Ernst's photograph still hangs in my office, although I am sorry to have to tell you that I will have to move it soon.

Of course, I wish that a picture of Ernst would hang either in the entrance hall or in a conference room at Fluka, but I fear that this will not happen soon, just as there will be no picture of Alfred Bader at Aldrich. The enclosed will explain why.

We haven't been to Switzerland in the winter for quite a few years, but we do plan to come in June and hope that we may visit you and discuss not only unhappy memories but what we are doing now. Of course, I will let you know well in advance, and hope also to have a chance to meet your son.

Fond regards from Isabel and me.

Sincerely,

Alfred Bader
Enclosure





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DR. ALFRED BADER

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May 31, 1995

Dr. Alfredo J. Sadler
Diretor Superintendente
Sigma-Aldrich Chemical
Representações Ltda.
Rua Sabará, 566 - cj. 53
01239-010 Sao Paulo, SP

Dear Dr. Sadler:

I am so happy to have your letter of May 21st and to know that both you and Sigma-Aldrich sales in Brazil are doing well.

My autobiography, *Adventures of a Chemist Collector*, is available from a local bookstore, Harry W. Schwartz, with several branches around Milwaukee. Even David Harvey bought a copy and brought it to an Aldrich board meeting! Many Aldrich people came to my book-signing evening, though some high executives explained that they couldn't be seen at the book-signing but came to my gallery. A copy of the news release from Schwartz Bookshops is enclosed. The book is also being sold by the American Chemical Society and in St. Louis, by a very large bookstore, Library Limited on Forsyth Blvd.

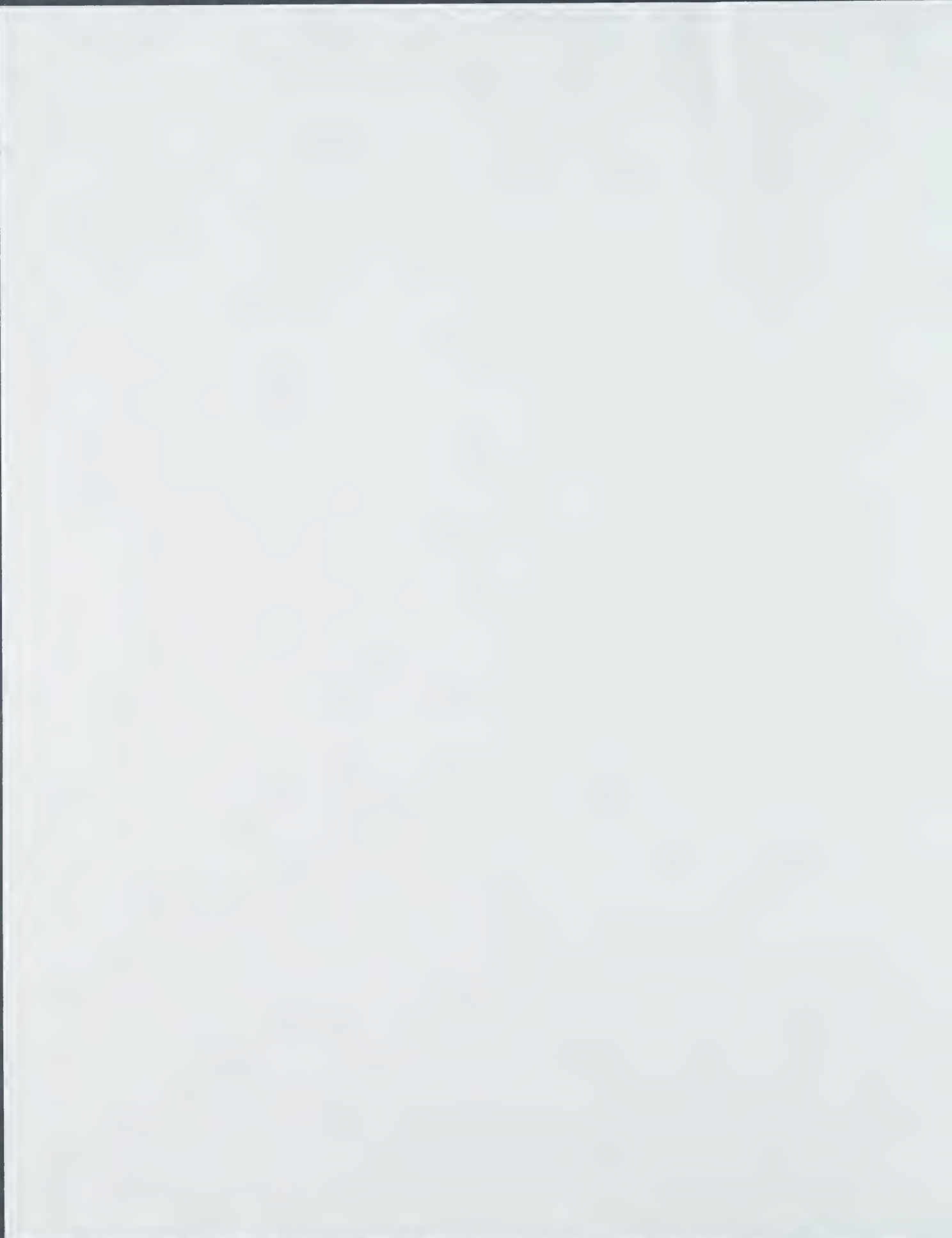
With all good wishes and much looking forward to meeting you personally, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

AB/cw

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Dr. Alfredo J. Sadler

São Paulo, 21 May 1995

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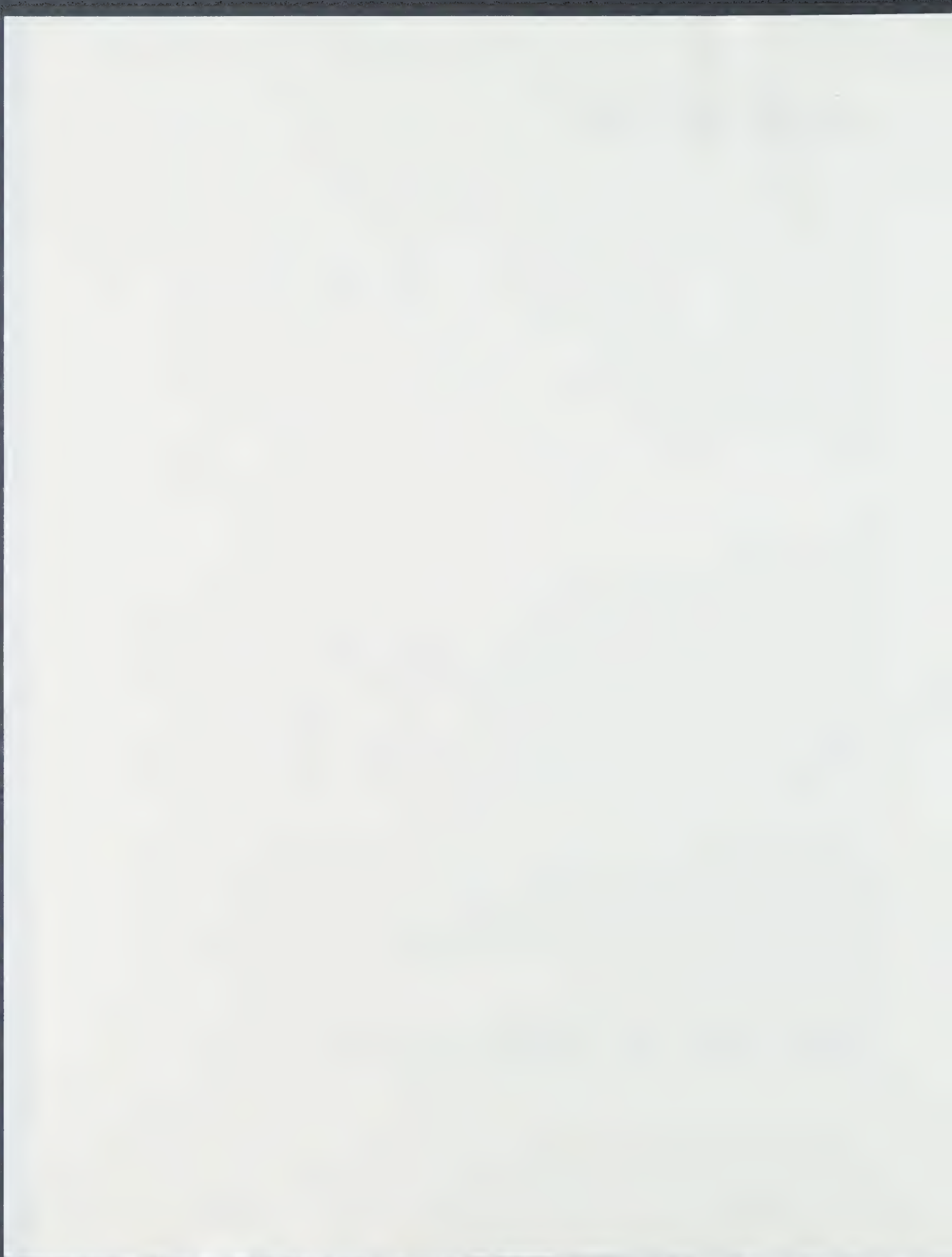
Dear Dr. Bader,

Thank you for your kind letter of 13 April.

What happened is the following : when you circulated my letter to you in Sigma it also fell into Dr. Cori's hands. He asked Aron Fischer if he knew me because he thought that I could be a candidate for creating the Brazilian subsidiary of Sigma-Aldrich Corporation. Aron, of course, told him that he knew me quite well. They called me and invited me to St. Louis to talk about their ideas and as I had just retired from the company I had founded and directed for 22 years and was getting cabin fever staying at home, I accepted. I made a simple project with an action plan and a finance plan, it was approved and we started.

The office opened in the first days of September of 1992 and since then it grew from a secretary and myself and 4 empty filing cabinets to 5 employees and myself and 20 filing cabinets with a folder for each person who had contact with us. This year we may reach 4 times our 1992 starting sales volume of \$1.5 million. I am more than busy, 10 - 12 hours a day and many weekends. But I am happy and very pleased that I could find a useful project in my first retirement.

And it all grew out of my reading your article in Chemtech (a Journal of which I am a subscriber since the starting issue) and writing you a letter about my experiences at Sigma.



Dr. Alfredo J. Sadler

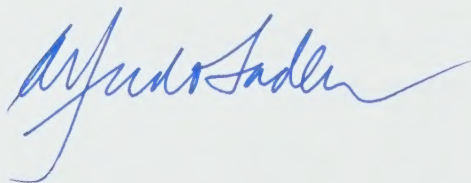
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You are correct, I tried to see you the few times I was in Milwaukee but you were always out of town. Next time I come to Milwaukee I will advise you beforehand to see if we finally can meet. Being Jahrgang 1924 there may not be many more opportunities.

I would very much like to read "Adventures of a Chemist Collector". How can I buy the book ? Please advise.

With best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours,



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For the record, I tried to see you the other day in
Michigan for you were always out of town. Well, I came to
Michigan I will thank you very much for the 12 or 13 days you
spent. Being there, I'll thank you for the 12 or 13 days you
spent.

I will not see you in the "hospital" of a "hospital".
Now on I say the last 2 days when

you are with me.

Yours truly,



September 4, 1996

Mr. Tom Carr
Sigma-Aldrich Corporation
3050 Spruce Street
St. Louis, MO 63103

Dear Tom:

Many of my clients and I are amazed that your nominating committee continues to present Andrew Newman as a member of your Board of Directors. With his performance at Edison Brothers, we believe he is an inappropriate candidate for Sigma-Aldrich and us as shareholders. It is our belief that board members should be people of accomplishment who bring special skills to the leadership of an organization. Surely you could find any number of qualified people who haven't been at the helm of a major corporation which went into bankruptcy. We believe the Company's position would be strengthened by more accomplished and independent directors.

We will appreciate your serious consideration of this most troubling situation.

Very truly yours,

William H. Schield, Jr

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cc: Dr. David Harvey
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