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HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE

## PEDERAL SECURITY ACENCY

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As part of our research program for the coming fiscal year (July 1953-July 1954) we are planning to conduct a study of the mental and other pharmacological effects produced by the chronic administration of the diethyl-amide of lysergic acid. We would appreciate any information you have concerning this compound, as well as any advice and suggestions concerning the proposed work. We are particularly interested in finding where we might obtain a reasonably large quantity of the drug.

We also hope to investigate the acute and chronic effects of a number of derivatives of N-allylnormorphine in man. We are particularly interested in the levo isomer of 3-hydroxy-n-allylmorphinan and the 3-methyl ether of N-allylmorphinan. Another compound which may be of interest to us is N-propyldihydromorphine.

Finally, we hope to investigate the effects of diet and of constituents of food on blood alcohol disappearance curves. I would appreciate your advice concerning the best methods of determining blood alcohol.

Very sincerely yours,

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