

November 20, 1970

Mr. James J. Mynatt
Assistant Director
Legislative Council Committee
State of Tennessee
Nashville, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Mynatt:

Enclosed are two recent reports describing the present findings in studies of narcotic antagonists.

The use of the antagonists is limited by their short duration of action. The need for laboratory studies is great, but these are funded inadequately.

The development of a long acting depot antagonist will provide a logical treatment of opiate dependence, particularly of young persons, and a prophylactic. My estimate is that, with financial support, such a development may be available in 1972.

Sincerely yours,

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