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Medical Department
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Dear Sir:

During the past few years, various reports have appeared concerning the effects of cycloserine on the human electroencephalogram and on behavior. The latest report which appeared in Psychopharmacologia (7: 203, 1965) is of interest to us.

This compound is known as seromycin in your laboratories.

In the report by Dr. Vitek, he makes distinction between the effects of the levo- and dextro- forms of cycloserine. Would you be able to advise me whether seromycin is the levo-, the dextro- or the racemic mixture of cycloserine?

If it is the mixture, are the isomers available separately for experimental use?

Is seromycin available for intravenous use (clinical or experimental); and if so, in what concentrations?

Thank you very much for your assistance.

Sincerely yours,

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