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Dear Dr. Choudhary:

Thank you for your kind letter of 9 November 1982. I have taken the opportunity of sending your Symposium announcement to a number of investigators in Europe. Specifically, I have contacted Dr. C.A. Van Der Heijden, Head of the Laboratory for Carcinogenesis and Mutagenesis National Institute of Public Health, P.O. Box 1, 3720 BA Bilthoven, The Netherlands, and recommended that he consider the Symposium as an appropriate forum for a paper on "The Design and Safety Plan for a Totally-Contained Dioxin Research Facility". Dr. Van Der Heijden and his staff have recently completed construction of probably the most sophisticated dioxin laboratory in the world. I had the opportunity to visit the facility in late October 1982, and was so impressed that I suggested that the construction of such a facility would be of interest to the international scientific community. You may want to contact Dr. Van Der Heijden directly on his participation.

Our research program on dioxins at the Veterans Administration has focused on three areas: (1) potential impact of dioxins on human health (especially Vietnam Veterans exposed to TCDD in Agent Orange during the Vietnam conflict), (2) the analysis of TCDD in human adipose tissue, and (3) the environmental fate, and hence source of exposure of TCDD. Our staff would be pleased to present status papers on these areas. Specifically, I would suggest the following potential presentations:

A Review of On-going Epidemiologic Research in the United States
Federal Government on the Phenoxly Herbicides and Chlorinated Dioxin
Contaminants

Assessment of the Relationships Between Levels of 2,3,7,8-TCDD in
Human Adipose, Potential Exposure and Health Effects - A Preliminary
Study

Summary of Long-term Studies on the Environmental Fate of 2,3,7,8-
TCDD

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I would be pleased to provide a brief abstract and authors if you should
decide that you need further information.

Sincerely yours,

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Dear Dr. Young:

I would like to bring your attention to the Symposium on "Chlorinated Dioxins and Dibenzofurans in the Total Environment" which is being planned by the Division of Environmental Chemistry of the American Chemical Society and is to be held in Washington, D.C., in August 1983. The announcement and the call for paper bulletin is enclosed for your perusal. You and/or your colleagues may be interested in participating.

In view of your current involvement and interest in the related area your participation through contribution of a paper will make this symposium a truly significant one. I will greatly appreciate your cooperation in this regard and would be looking forward to hearing from you.

Your effort to circulate this announcement to interested parties will be appreciated. If you need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely yours,


Gangadhar Choudhary, Ph.D.
Symposium Co-Organizer

Enclosure



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SYMPOSIUM ON
CHLORINATED DIOXINS AND DIBENZOFURANS IN THE TOTAL ENVIRONMENT II

Sponsored jointly by

The Division of Environmental Chemistry,
The Analytical Chemistry Division and
The Division of Chemical Health and Safety,
American Chemical Society

Because of the growing concern for the exposure to chlorinated dioxins and dibenzofurans in the total environment--occupational and ecological--two symposia were planned in conjunction with the national meetings of the American Chemical Society. The first symposium was held with great success at the September 1982 meeting in Kansas City, Missouri. The second symposium will be held 28 August - 2 September 1983 in Washington, D.C.

The primary purpose of both symposia is to provide state-of-the-art technology and information on chlorinated dioxins and dibenzofurans. Efforts will be made to identify the facts and to indicate recommendations for the future. The technical program will encompass the specific areas of formation and occurrence, sampling and analysis, human toxicology, general exposure considerations, and special control and decontamination measures. Both invited and contributed papers will be solicited. Overview as well as original research papers are planned.

Interested persons are requested to submit a 200 word abstract and a 2-4 page extended abstract to Dr. Lawrence H. Keith by 1 April 1983 for this meeting. Instructions for preparation of the Division's extended abstract and the ACS abstract forms can be obtained from any of the symposium coordinators listed below.

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