

MEMORANDUM

Subject: Annual Report

To: Dr. Peemster

From: Dr. Hinton

Date: July 2, 1948.

I am enclosing the annual report of the Wassermann Laboratory. The narrative report covers the fiscal year from July 1, 1947 to June 30, 1948, and the statistical report is for the calendar year ending December 31, 1947.

WASSERMANN LABORATORY

Tests and Examinations

Kind of Specimen		1943	1944	1945	1946	1947
Blood	Number of Specimens	652,286	493,531	519,296	541,108	524,765
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	Hinton	616,164	462,607	485,864	486,954	457,747
	Rapid Hinton	11,073	6,983	10,495	3,704	--
	Hinton Titr.-Penicillin	--	70	2,950	12,033	9,086
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	Davies-Hinton Micro	6,006	6,743	6,953	9,130	10,091
	*Bacillus Abortus Aggl.	30,082	24,101	23,147	23,829	26,956
	*Glanders	34	10	7	15	9
	**Blood Grouping	--	--	375	4,156	--
	**Rh Typing	--	--	375	4,156	--
	**Hinton	--	--	346	8,608	20,876
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Rabies Diagnosis*	Number of Specimens	174	152	159	186	213
	Tests					
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	Sections	172	145	148	179	201
	Animal Inoculations	166	145	143	177	191
Path. & Bact. Examinations*	Number of Specimens	8	7	2	2	-
	Tests					
	Animal Inoculations	8	7	2	2	-
	Cultures	6	2	-	-	-
	Smears	5	6	2	1	-
Total Tests		682,010	519,704	554,385	587,714	560,093
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