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Sr. D. Pio Del Rio-Hortega,  
MADRID. SPAIN.

Dear Señor del Rio-Hortega:

First of all let me say how ashamed I am that I have not written to thank you for your kindness to me in Madrid last year, but I have been waiting until I could send you the specimens of brain tumors which I promised to send to you when I left Madrid. It has taken considerable time to collect them and time has flown so quickly!

Now, however, we are sending you twenty-six (26) specimens of tumors of the brain, the notes on which I am enclosing in this letter. These have been collected by my assistants and myself during the past three or four years and they have all been fixed in 10% formalin. I hope that they will arrive in good condition and that they will be suitable for staining. They are in formalin in a glass sealer and are enclosed in a wooden container.

These tumors will, I know, take a long time to cut and stain, but I hope you will find them interesting and I would be very pleased if from time to time as you examine them you would be good enough to send me your diagnosis and also a slide for our teaching collection in the University.

I am sorry that I have not yet been able to do much with the gold and silver stains. My chief difficulty is that I cannot get the small staining dishes which you use, here in America. I intended to write to you before about them but have been waiting until I could send the tumors. Would you please be good enough to send me the name of the manufacturer who makes them and also the dimensions of those you use.

Many times I think about the pleasant and interesting experiences I had in Spain last year and I still communicate with Senor Cerdas in Habana. Perhaps in 1936 I will be able to return to Spain again.

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Sr. D. Pio Del Rio-Hortega, (cont'd)  
MADRID. SPAIN.

I must apologize for not writing in Spanish but I am afraid that I would make too many mistakes.

Would you please let me know if the specimens arrive safely and if you would like me to send you any more.

With kindest regards,

Believe me,

Yours very sincerely,

*John James Ower*

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