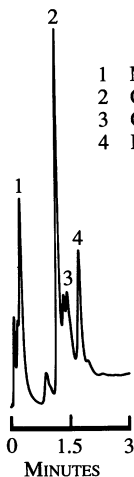


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production from background (2). Subsequently, we applied the method to data that had been processed and corrected. The results of that work were presented in two CDF internal reports that we three coauthored. Although we individually contributed our expertise to the analysis, this analysis was a synergistic and collaborative process, by no means the exclusive effort of any one of us.

As far as the question of access to data is concerned, we were quite open with CDF. It was known from our first presentation that our work involved some of their corrected data. However, there was never any intention to publish that data without CDF approval. For several months there were no objections to our collaboration; indeed, some CDF members encouraged us to continue. By late April however the mood at CDF changed markedly, as the article notes, and CDF decided not to include us nonmembers in their collaboration.

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Old Words from the Wise

In 1971, in an obscure journal (*Science*, 14 May 1971, p. 674), I published a book review with the sentence: "Physics-envy is the curse of biology." I made up that sentence myself. Imagine my surprise when I read in the same journal in 1992 (*Random Samples*, 1 May, p. 611) that "physics envy" is attributed to chemist Paul Bickart of the Environmental Protection Agency in a recent book by Jack Hitt, *In a Word*. I challenge Bickart and Hitt to establish that Bickart, or anyone else, originated the phrase before me. Am I doomed to be another victim of Stigler's Law? (Stigler's Law asserts that a discovery is named after the last person to discover it, because once a discovery has been named, no one else claims it as a discovery. Stigler's Law was discovered many times before Stigler named it.)

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4. Preclinical studies of agents that might assist the removal of heptachlor.
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