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The Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation, a research division of Carnegie Mellon University, specializes in the history of botany and all aspects of plant science and serves the international scientific community through research and documentation. To this end, the Institute acquires and maintains authoritative collections of books, plant images, manuscripts, portraits and data files, and provides publications and other modes of information service. The Institute meets the reference needs of botanists, biologists, historians, conservationists, librarians, bibliographers and the public at large, especially those concerned with any aspect of the North American flora.

Hunt Institute was dedicated in 1961 as the Rachel McMasters Miller Hunt Botanical Library, an international center for bibliographical research and service in the interests of botany and horticulture, as well as a center for the study of all aspects of the history of the plant sciences. By 1971 the Library's activities had so diversified that the name was changed to Hunt Institute for Botanical Documentation. Growth in collections and research projects led to the establishment of four programmatic departments: Archives, Art, Bibliography and the Library.



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Dr. Robert Gordon

Chairman

Council on Biological Sciences
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To Dept of Biol.

AIBS Symposium

3-7 Sept 68

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Dr. John R. Olive

APPLICATION FOR FACULTY TRAVEL ALLOWANCE

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO
Vice President and Dean of the FacultiesDate 2 July 1968I hereby request assistance from the funds of the Committee on Faculty Travel Allowances in order to enable me to attend the meeting of the American Institute of Biological Sciencesto be held in Columbus, Ohio on 1 - 2 September 1968 My responsibilitiesin connection with this meeting are: Chairman of Symposium on Economic Botany
and AISS Governing CouncilDate of last grant: none Date of appointment to faculty Sept. 1967Approved: [Signature] David J. Rogers
Chairman or Dean, as appropriate SignatureBiology 2 & 3
Department, School or College Academic Title and Typed NameArtery 101 2
Campus AddressREFERRED TO COMMITTEE: E. C. Wahlstrom 7-19-68
Assistant to the Dean of the Faculties DateCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION: Asst. Prof. \$128.00
Type of Accommodation Amount

REMARKS: _____

Chairman, Committee on Faculty Travel Allowances DateFINAL ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION: E. C. Wahlstrom 7-19-68
Assistant to the Dean of the Faculties Date

If the above request is approved, you will receive a check in the above amount from the voucher clerk along with several tax exemption certificates to be filled out for claiming exemption from the travel tax.

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BIOSIS TO INTRODUCE NEW TAPE SERVICE

Distribution of a new, comprehensive, machine language information service for biology by BioSciences Information Service of Biological Abstracts is scheduled for early 1969. *BA-Previews*, the name by which the new service will be known, will consist of magnetic tapes generated to correspond to each issue of *Biological Abstracts* and *BioResearch Index*. *BA-Previews* will contain the following information in machine language for rapid machine searching: abstract number, title, index terms, authors' names, CROSS codes, biosystematic index codes and primary journal reference. Thus, bibliographic and index information on research reports to be published in *BA* and *BioResearch Index*, will be available for distribution approximately one month earlier than the corresponding printed issues of the journals.

This new service represents a major, forward step in BIOSIS' overall plan for faster and more timely dissemination of bioscientific information. Machine-based information records have been a significant factor in the production of BIOSIS' printed information tools since 1958; experiences acquired during this decade have made this development possible. The availability of *BA-Previews* will enable a host of new, powerful and rapid searching techniques for the user of biological research literature. Individual or organizational profiles of interest can be prepared and matched against each bi-weekly *BA-Previews* tape. Articles which match the criteria in the search profile will be retrieved and rapid access to the original material will be by way of the primary journal reference.

The search profile can be prepared in several ways; single or multiple words from the title, augmented indexing terms (added keywords), or the Biosystematic Index can be used alone or together with author names or primary journal names. Depending on the needs of the users, this search can be performed using weighted terms, set algebra, or single-term searching. The organization of the tapes (one *BA* or *BioResearch Index* issue per reel of tape) facilitates current awareness searching on a bi-weekly basis (monthly for *BioResearch Index*). As the user acquires experience with *BA-Previews*, he will probably be able to increase the retrieval relevance ratio by modifications in his strategy profile.

During the first year of *BA-Previews*, more than 220,000 items will be included, constituting principally an alerting service. Subsequently, as the volume of information available in machine language grows, the service will become increasingly useful as a retrospective search tool. The user will be able to create special files in machine language based on topics of interest to him, or he might elect to consolidate all the tapes into a single master file for use in various retrospective search strategies when new topics of interest arise at his location. As the volume of information accumulates in the years ahead, the composite of *BA-Previews* tapes will furnish a rapid and inexpensive means of searching a large volume of bioscientific information.

Schedule to Palembang

TWA 342 Sept 2

Lv Den Noon Ar Chi 3⁰⁰

Lv Chi 3³⁰ Ar Col 5³⁰

Lunch

Return Sept 6

TWA III
Lv Col 4⁴⁰ Ar Chi 4¹⁵

Lv Chi 5⁰⁵ Ar Den 6²³

TWA
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Dinner

confirmed
8 Aug 1968