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Dr. H. B. Stenzel
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Dear Dr. Stenzel:

Your letter of January 13 was received, and I have looked into the matter of the preserved specimens of Indo-Pacific oysters which you wish to obtain.

Unfortunately, no one here at the museum recalls our having received such material recently, although there may be a few specimens included in collections made in the Indo-Pacific area in 1963 and 1964 by members of this division.

I am sorry not to be of more positive aid to your researches at this time. We will keep watch for material of the sort you desire and attempt to save it for you if we find any.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely,



Joseph Rosewater
Associate Curator
Division of Mollusks