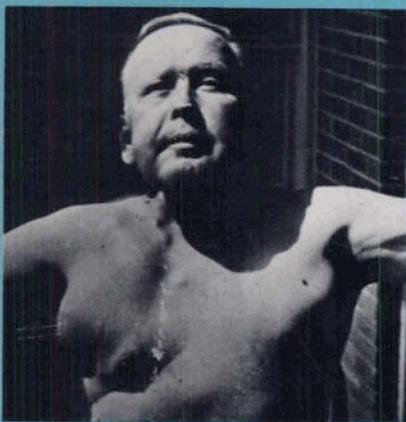
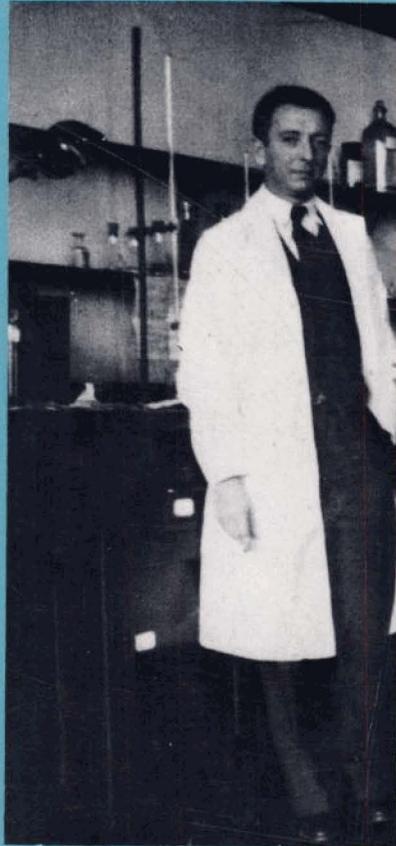


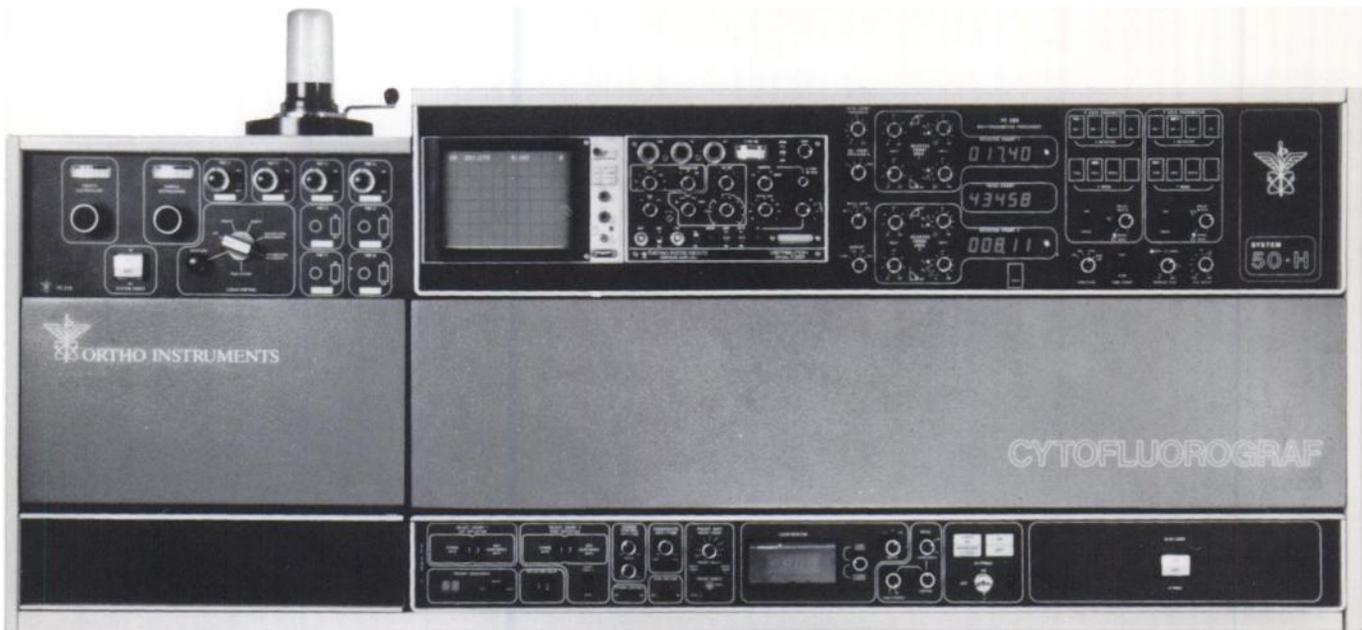
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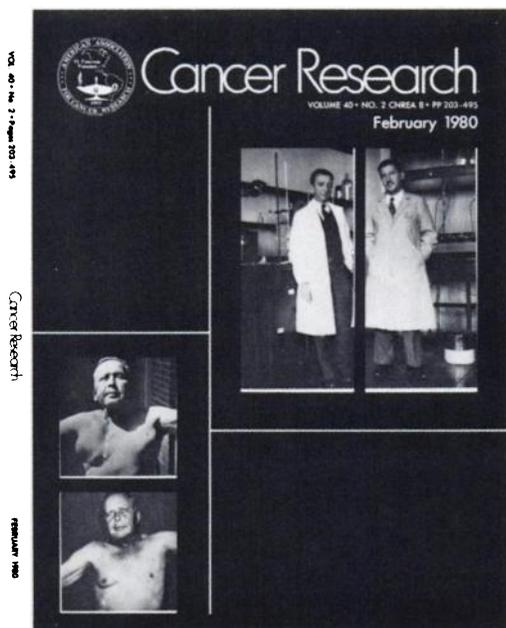
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# COVER LEGEND



Cancer chemotherapy by alkylating agents was discovered during World War II, under the cloak of secrecy. The full story was published in 1963 by Alfred Gilman (*Am. J. Surg.*, 105: 574–578, 1963). Work on chemical warfare agents started at Yale University under contract with the Office of Scientific Research and Development (OSRD) in 1943. Nitrogen mustards, particularly the bis- and tris ( $\beta$ -chloroethyl)amines, were studied by chemists and pharmacologists, especially Louis S. Goodman, Alfred Gilman, and Frederick S. Philips. The remarkable sensitivity of normal lymphoid tissue to the cytotoxic action of the nitrogen mustards led to a test by Thomas Dougherty on one mouse with a transplanted lymphoma, with results that encouraged a more extensive investigation. A thera-

peutic trial in humans was organized by Gustav E. Lindskog, with the first patient being an X-ray-resistant patient with lymphosarcoma. A 0.1-mg/kg dose of bis( $\beta$ -chloroethyl)amine daily for 10 days was selected. "The response of the first patient was as dramatic as that of the first mouse." Five additional patients were treated at Yale, and the studies shifted to Chicago under Leon O. Jacobson and to the Memorial Hospital in New York under David A. Karnofsky. Reports of their findings were published in 1946 (L. S. Goodman *et al.*, *J. Am. Med. Assoc.*, 132: 126–132, 1946).

Elaboration of analogs of nitrogen mustard and related compounds led to the eventual clinical use of a wide variety of such drugs. Of particular interest were busulfan (Myleran), an alkyl alkanesulfonate discovered by G. M. Timmis in England; cyclophosphamide (Cytoxan), introduced by G. Domagk of Germany; chlorambucil (Leukeran); and L-phenylalanine mustard (melphalan).

Louis Stanford Goodman was born in 1906 in Oregon and obtained an M.D. degree at the University of Oregon in 1932. Alfred Gilman was born in 1908 in Connecticut and was graduated from Yale with a Ph.D. in pharmacology in 1931. Both became chairmen of departments of pharmacology, at the University of Utah School of Medicine and Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York, respectively. They collaborated in the writing of the influential *Pharmacological Basis of Therapeutics*, issued in 1941 and in a fifth edition in 1975.

We are indebted to Dr. Goodman for the photographs of himself (*right*) and Dr. Gilman (*left*), taken *circa* 1942, and of the first patient before and after treatment with nitrogen mustard, showing reduction in lymph nodes and facial edema.

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