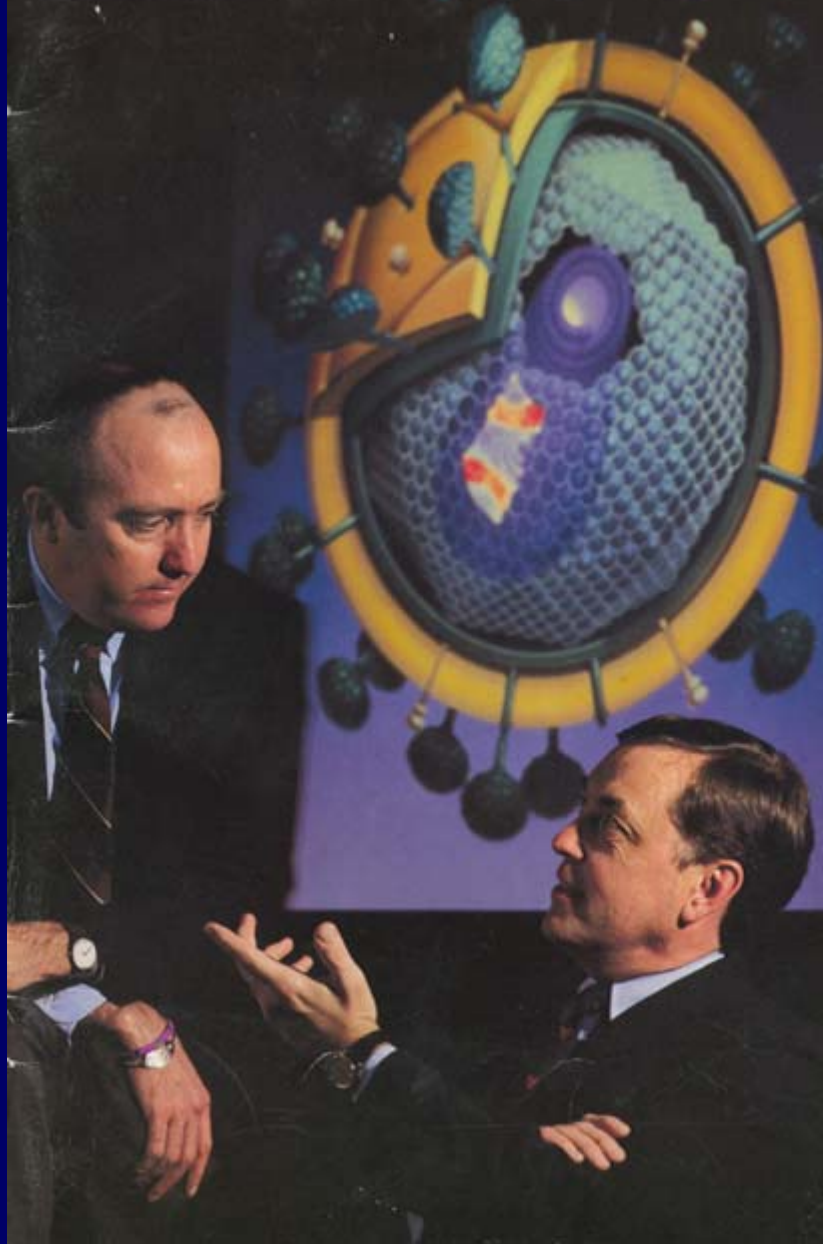


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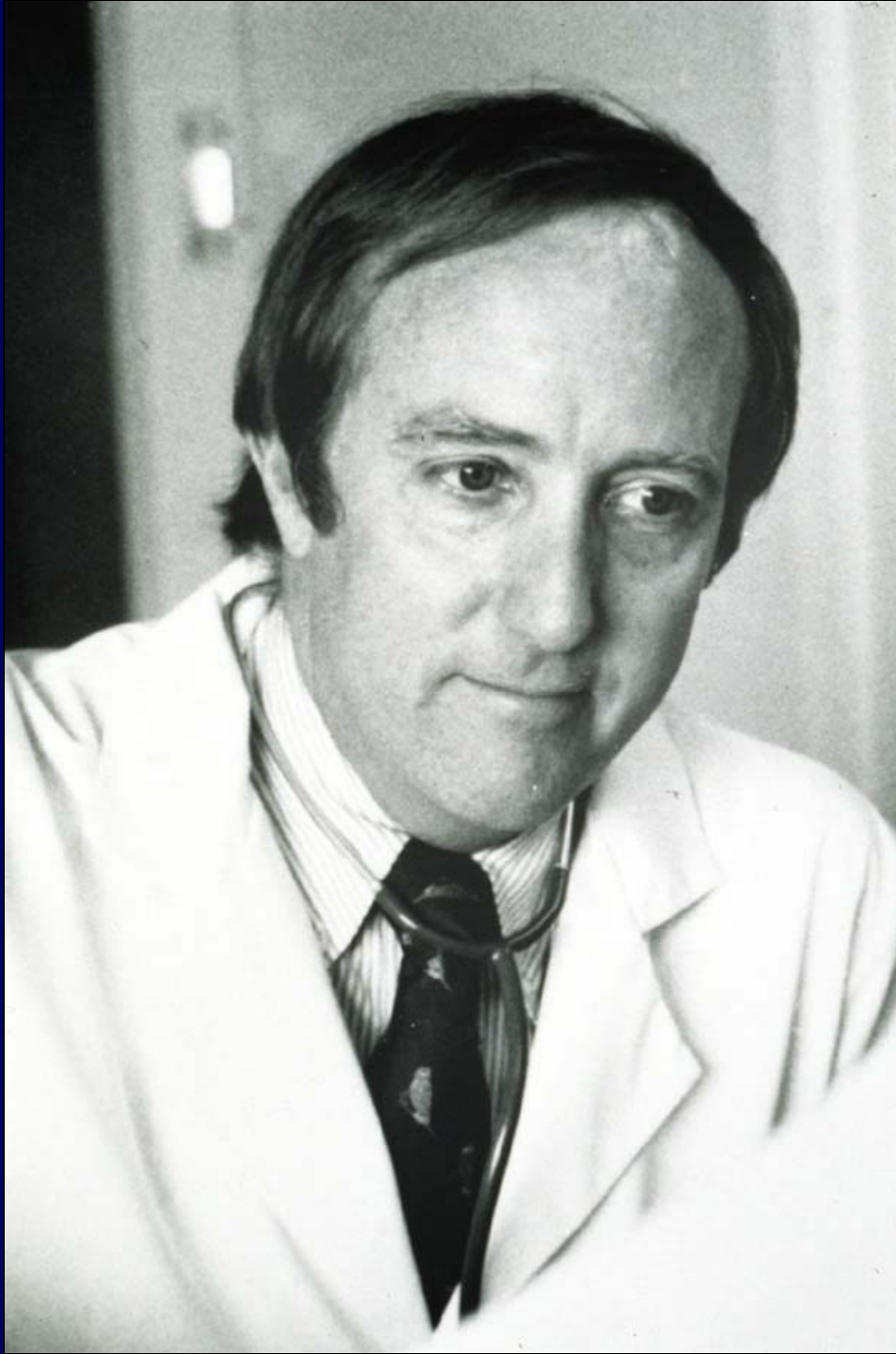
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**DEDICATION OF
THE POLK UNIT
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IN HONOR OF
B. FRANK POLK, M.D.

This unit for the care of patients with
Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome is
dedicated to the memory of B. Frank Polk, M.D.
whose scholarly and compassionate approach
to this illness serves as an inspiration to us all.

May 1989



QUOTATIONS

1971

Dear Dr. Kass:

I am informed that Dr. Frank Polk is being considered for a fellowship in infectious diseases at the Boston City Hospital.

...he is a humane and kind man with dedication to his principles and courage to fight for them...

Marion B. Sulzberger, M.D.

1981

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A. CANEVARI

L.23-ROMA-1980

Too Demasias! This
church is in a walled city
which is a perfectly preserved
very delightful. We are
now in Rome. We leave
for Malta on Wednesday.
Sarah & Genevieve are
great travelers.

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Frank's Vision

- ▶ **In 1987, Frank told Lisa Jacobson when interviewing to join CAMACS:**

“In 20 years, you’ll look back and this will probably be the most important thing you’ll ever have worked on.”

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Dear Frank,

The Serology Group misses
your wise advice and encouragement.

George Conatosh

Tracy Bush

Kathy Nelson

Ann Wu Hsing

March 1988

From Noah Cohen's thesis:

“Dr. Polk’s dedication sets a standard of indefatigable professional excellence and august achievement. The success of the scientific community rests upon the character of such men, whose considerable actions are ever guided by their ethics....It is a pleasure to thank him publicly for his enduring lessons”.

CAROL POLK

SEPTEMBER 2008

“Frank was a remarkable man, who chose a remarkable wife and fathered a couple of remarkable girls. It is heartening to know that his ideas continue to produce research results of great merit”.

B. FRANK POLK QUOTATIONS

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“Never ever write a grant for \$150,000. It takes the same effort to write one for \$1 million. Same review. Same risk.”

“Never discuss a research project with a student until they write a one-page summary.”

B. Frank Polk Quotations

“It’s (AIDS) going to be big. Two critical parts – virology and epidemiology.”

“The problem with most doctors who study public health is that they never take care of the patients with the diseases they study.”

B. Frank Polk Quotations

“Good is not good enough when better is expected.”

[This is actually a great way to introduce the concept of downward bias in the epi methods courses sequence.]

B. Frank Polk Quotations

After being asked to carry out a task:

- *“...Dr.Polk, do you need this for today or tomorrow?”*

- **“If I needed it for tomorrow, I would have asked you tomorrow”.**