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## Letter to the Editor

#### Tissue Bank

Sir:

In 1966, The St. Louis Zoological Park received support for the establishment of a Tissue Bank to make available to bio-medical researchers and educators tissues from exotic fauna that have died in the collection at The St. Louis Zoo. It is felt that The Tissue Bank is a valuable contribution to the scientific community as well as a service to the conservation of wildlife. It enables researchers to obtain tissues from exotic fauna that otherwise would not have been available to them. It conserves the rare and endangered wildlife that would have been sacrificed had these tissues not been provided

The Tissue Bank has been reorganized during the past year and we now have over 1,500 specimens representing almost every order of Mammals, Birds, Reptiles and Amphibians. We are making these tissues available at a nominal cost on a weight basis with a graduated scale to cover the cost of handling, catalogs, reagents, etc.

We have recently comprised a 52 page catalog listing available tissues. For copies of the catalog or any other information please contact me.

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by Robert G. Heath, James W. Spann, Elwood F. Hill and James F. Kreitzer, Patuxent Wildlife Research Center, Laurel, Maryland 20810, U.S.A.

Special Scientific Report — Wildlife No. 152, Washington, D.C. — 1972. 57 pages. For sale by the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402. Price 60 cents. Stock Number 2410-0314.