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Dear Rolf,

You are correct. I misread 1985 as 1984. Regretably, however, I must give you the same answer. It is primarily a reason of health. The history of colorant formulation from 1938 to 1945 would be easy, but from then on I would have to study the literature. A partial list of the authors I would have to search is J.V. Alderson, Gene Allen, E. Atherton, A Brockes, Hugh Davidson, Roland Derby, D.R. Duncan, W. J. Foote, L. Gall, Kubelka and Munk, Rolf Kuehni, O.W. Pineo, J.L. Saunderson, Ralph Stanziola, A. S. Stenius, J A van den Akker, There are others who think they have contributed to colorant formulation. I would lose friends. I get peeved when someone refers to Duncan and Stearns as "among the first" to calculate color matches. While the statement is true, my work preceded Duncan by 5 years. I would make statements in the same category.

I don't have the physical strength to do the job properly. I wish you success in finding a suitable historian.

Yours truly,

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