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-- Go to: [www.crl.edu](http://www.crl.edu) or [www.catalog.crl.edu](http://www.catalog.crl.edu)
--Select advanced search
--Click on Location and select one of three CAMP collections:
  CAMP Monographs
  CAMP Newspapers
  CAMP Serials

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