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Dear Dr. Lederberg,

You may be aware that we have been amusing ourselves by dabbling in bacterial genetics lately. In particular we have been analysing the possible linkage of valine and norleucine inhibition of K12 strains, with other factors. We find that valine inhibition is closely linked with leucine independence and norleucine inhibition is linked to galactose fermentation as shown on EMB plates.

This is not my main reason for writing at the moment however. Bruce Storker suggested that you might be kind enough to send me subcultures of all your E. coli strains which mate with K12. I am doing some work on the virulence to mice of E. coli strains and your cultures might well be of great help to me.

Are you coming over to Europe for either of the Congresses in Italy in September? If so I would welcome the opportunity of meeting you.

Yours sincerely,



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