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Dear Dr Lederberg,

Since I have not yet had a reply to my letter written from Paris in late September, I am now beginning to wonder if you ever received it. Perhaps you have been away.

Anyhow, I would be most grateful for any recombining strains of E. coli other than K12 or its mutants; for the reasons I have gone into in that letter.

Thank you in anticipation

Yours sincerely

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