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Dear Joshua:

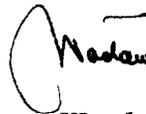
I talked with Dr. Waksman today after his return from Boston. He is very interested in inviting Tom and he wants Tom to send him a formal application outlining his present status, name of the fellowship and plans for studies - all in brief; and enclose his curriculum vitae.

I believe that the future for Tom looks bright here, and within this large group of people and visitors he may find good friends. I am one, at least.

I enjoyed very much your visit here and talking with you and Esther. In the meantime I have "induced" new SM mutants in K-12 strain W-1336 (F+) (76-2) and today I have some recombinants between this strain and W-1177 (F-) to check for SM resistance. I wonder what would happen.

Best regards for you and Esther.

Best regards,



Waclaw Szybalski

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P.S. I shall appreciate receiving the parental strains to W-1702 and W-1697 i. e. strains W-1 and 58-272. Would you tell me what are the deficiencies of W-1 and W-1702 and what is the origin of W-1 and 58-272 strains.