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Dear Josh:

After I left you on Tuesday, May 25 in a rather pessimistic mood, I had a chat with Lloyd Old on my future status at MSKCC and about his June 10 PL Lecture. Actually my grant has one more year and expires May 31, 1983. I am still in a position to apply for grants of shorter duration from the American Cancer Society and Mrs Nauts (daughter of Dr Coley - Coley Toxin) Cancer Research Institute. I still feel that my decision not to undertake an ambitious and comprehensive program for 1983-1985 was justified - at least for some one of my age. And yet I am vitally interested in the specificity of monoclonal antibodies.

It is also true that for several years I did not have a restful vacation and this I hope to accomplish in the very near future.

In the spring issue of Perspectives in Biology & Medicine contains several fascinating articles, and an address by Claude Dolman on "Theobald Smith, Pioneer American Microbiologist" (p 417) has a special appeal for me. I refer to his chief, Salmon's outright thievery of Smith's important discoveries and yet his names is memorialized by the important group of "Salmonella" ~~org~~ bacteria. Nevertheless Theobald Smith went on to make other notable discoveries on the pathogenesis of Texas cattle fever, tuberculosis, malaria. Incidentally it was T. S. who in the absence of Flexner (in Europe) interviewed me for the position with Landsteiner (1925)

Having stated all the above, you will find my outlook on work and life much improved after a much needed rest.

Sincerely yours

Phil

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