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Dear Josh:

I have gone through all the data on TLD that I had or that Sergio has sent me. It is not very easy, at least for me, to understand some experiments without discussing the pros and the cons. However, I am enclosing an outline of the experiments that could be discussed in a paper on the effect of try analogs on TLD. The only experiment that is still necessary (but I am sure that Sergio has done it or is considering to do) is one showing a normal polysomal profile in cells that are not undergoing TLD for the presence of 5OHT or 5MET.

If you agree on such an outline, I could write up a draft of the paper in a couple of weeks.

You are probably aware of a paper on the uptake of poly-U by "sonoplasts" of E. coli and a "specific" stimulation of phenylalanine incorporation (J. Bact. 94, 232). The evidence seems to me rather unconvincing but emphasizes the need to round up our data. I think that Sergio has in mind to check the uptake of poly-U by EDTA-treated cells. This is something that I wanted to do but never did.

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We have got a majority in the "commissione" for the competition so that I have good hopes to be "ternato" sometimes in November or December. Whatever will be the outcome, I am quite ready to start making plans for a second stay in Palo Alto. What about a period of 4-6 months beginning next summer? Or do you think that I should wait for the approval of the Pavia-Stanford project?

We have a vague recollection that you hinted a possible visit to Europe this fall. Is it true?

Best regards.

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