Personal memo from
JOSHUA LEDERBERG

Dr. Jon Beckwith

Overexpression of lac

I'd not bother without having looked in vain — but can you recall any studies showing inhibition of growth by overexpression of lac$_z$ or more likely lac$_y$?

I seem to recall something about the energy demands of pumping lactose.

On another tack, any toxicity from any lac$_z$ variants, perhaps misfolded.

Yours,

Joshua.

Some "souvenirs" enclosed.

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As Oliver said, "More... please."

This missive reminds me to ask you the fate of the lac deletion strains used in mapping ages ago.

Agnes Ullmann has repeatedly promised me to look for them. No luck.

Unhappily Langridge destroyed his library when he retired. Barbara Bachmann doesn't have them.

J

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