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Dear Dr. Brand,

At Dr. Bernard Davis' suggestion, I am enclosing a MS. with one carbon copy of my paper "Concentration of Biochemical Mutants of Bacteria with Penicillin" for submission as a Communication to the Editor of the Journal of the American Chemical Society. Dr. Davis has doubtless told you of the background of our independent development of this technique. Although I feel that the Journal of Biological Chemistry might have been an appropriate place for these articles, I agree with the editors that they have unreserved authority over the scope of their publication, and would not dispute with them over this short note. On the other hand, I am delighted to note the favorable attitude which the J.A.C.S. is adopting to biochemical papers, and to take this opportunity of bringing this kind of work to a chemical audience.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely,

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