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Dear Max,

Thanks very much for your kind note of August 6th, and the copy of the remarks you made in Paris on flux equilibrium. I find your account interesting and decidedly worth considering in relation to our antigen results. What I am trying to imagine are experimental means of distinguishing among the three hypotheses: flux equilibrium, variable gene activity, and plasmagenes. I am partial at present to the latter because it has thus far proved fruitful in our work: it has led as to a number of predictions which have been verified. But this is, of course, not enough.

I am returning your Paris discussion of which I now have several copies for various people interested in the question.

With best regards,

Cordially,

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