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Dear Hank:

Carlton, N.3, 19

Thanks for the comments on Boris's manuscript.

To save time, I've made the most obvious changes, and sent the ms. directly on to J. Bact. It would be at least acceptable in its present form, and I trust that Boris will have a chance to revise in the light of criticisms from the reviewers and from us.

To that end, if you cared to, you might send your remarks directly to him— you ~~may~~ may have had some further chance to think things over.

In fact, the idea of a two-part system: a 'permease' and an 'accumulase' has some virtues— particularly that azide etc. which inhibit the accumulation of TMG do not alter the galactosidase activity of intact cells. Neither the permease nor accumulase are very well-defined concepts— to answer one of your own comments— but there is little help for it now but to dignify these proposals of Monod's with at least some discussion.

Esther and I are leaving Melbourne on the 31st, and will take off from Perth on Nov. 6 for a quick trip through India. (Dave's shadow will of course have gone before.) In fact there may be any number of other Americans travelling the same way (from Tokyo)— at least Kalckar and Kornbergs that I know of. We'll spend a week in Italy (visiting Cavalli at Milan) and then home before Thanksgiving, which will have its attractions too.

But we can tell you about our travels better when we do get home.

Best regards

Yours,

Joshua Lederberg