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Dear Charley:

We have read your and Dr. Crawford's excellent paper with considerable interest, and are returning it to you with a few suggestions and comments, many of which are indicated in pencil on the MS, and below:

(1) In regard to the linkage map (Fig. 1) it seems worth considering including a few crosses between sites in the A and B groups other than the one B-3 x A-2. The relationship is too important to rest on one cross only.

(2) Much of the discussion (pp 13 on) seems a little too speculative, and adds little to other previous discussions.

Finally, on whether this paper should be in PNAS, I am not completely convinced that the publication therein of previous papers in the series constitutes adequate justification. My feeling is that in principle in such a series only the first one opening a new field or concept, and a final definitive paper belong here. In this regard, it would be good once in a while to have a first-rate genetic paper of this sort in a genetics journal.

Notwithstanding this feeling, I will submit this paper, after revision, and if possible a little condensation and tightening, to PNAS if you so desire.

With best regards,

Sincerely,


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