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Dr. G. W. Beadle,
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Dear George,

Dr. E. L. Tatum has been suggested for preliminary consideration by the Section of Physiology and Biochemistry of the National Academy of Sciences, and since you are familiar with his work, I am writing to ask if you will prepare a short factual statement (without bibliography) regarding the importance of his scientific work. This statement will be mimeographed and sent to the members of the Section for their consideration of the candidate.

By custom this statement is the chore of the member making the suggestion, but in this case, the member requested me to ask you to prepare the statement because of your greater familiarity with Tatum's work. I hope that you will not mind - at least, too much.

I would appreciate receiving the statement as soon
as possible.

It was nice to see you in Chicago.

Yours sincerely,



E. A. Doisy

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