Dr. Robert Berliner  
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Dear Bob:

I was very pleased to get your letter of November 11th (and also its footnote about relieving me of topical responsibilities). Now that I have a sharper focus on the process and the deadlines and so forth, I may be able to offer more at that level of detail; but I think it is better that I do it in a browsing mode rather than your depending on me for specific reviews.

In fact I have made one quick pass through the summary sheets (and they are a very good mechanism indeed!). For quite a few of them I can suggest reviewers who may be specially competent to fill-in, in examining those applications. Most but not all of them are at Rockefeller University.

How would you like to proceed? Do you want to just keep that list of names in reserve in case you have difficulty getting enough material from the other formally assigned reviewers?

In any case, as with what time becomes available, I do fill in my task of reading the various applications it may occur to me that there is a really crucial need to call on one of my colleagues. In that case I hope you will not object if I do a couple of requests for review on my own initiative. I'll stay in touch with you about all of that.

So, enclosed, I do have a provisional list of suggested reviewers for some of the ones where there seem to be instantly obvious resources that came to mind locally.

Yours sincerely,

Joshua Lederberg

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