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Professor J. Lederberg
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Stanford University School of Medicine
Palo Alto
California 94304

Dear Professor Lederberg:

I enclose a reprint of my paper on the skin disease Xeroderma pigmentosum which was published in Nature, May 18, 1968. I am sorry for the delay, but we did not receive the reprints until this week.

All of us in this laboratory were extremely pleased that you took note of this piece of our work, and saw fit to use it as an example in your Washington Post article. We appreciated the sentiments you expressed in the Washington Post very much. There is no doubt, whatsoever, that we could never have done this work on Xeroderma pigmentosum without the prior work on microorganisms which provided us with the techniques and the framework of thought. We are now extending our work to other skin diseases and to heterozygous individuals in the hope of finding other genetic defects associated with DNA repair.

Thank you, again, for your interest and for the encouragement that such interest has given us.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive that reads "James E. Cleaver".

J. E. Cleaver, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor of Radiobiology

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