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Dear Dan,

I am presently writing up my work on the physical structure of the genomes of the defectives that we cloned at Stanford. I would like to site your work on this subject, but I have not yet seen any papers relating to it. Would you therefore please send me a copy of the Brockman, Lee and Nathans Cold Spring Harbor Symposium paper and any other preprints you may have relating to this topic. Also, I am writing my thesis and would greatly appreciate receiving any preprints you could send me concerned with SV40 mutants, complementation groups and their map locations, etc. and a copy of your review article on restriction enzymes if it has already been written.

Thanks for sending me the BSC-40 cells. I still haven't straightened out the difference we see in complementation between the B and C group mutants. The one experiment I have tried so far with your cells failed because I obtained too few plaques to get meaningful results - i.e., your cells give much lower titers than my CV1-P cells do.

Sincerely yours,

Janet Mertz