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Dear Prof.J.Lederberg,

One of us have listened your lecture and had a very short talk with you during your visit of the University of Pavia, Italy in June, 1991. The suject of your lecture was the ways of feedback in the origin of mutation. This problem is very interesting for us. Enclosed you will find the manuscript of our article "The origin of His revertants of S. typhimurium obtained on selective medium" which we try to publish in Research in Microbiology. Considerable part of the research was made at the laboratory of Prof.Alessandro Galizzi (University of Pavia). It is very likely, you will find that the results obtained by us are unexpected and strange. But using strains obtained from different sources we observed the suprising repetition and constancy of these results. Moreover, we are interested in the independent examination of our data. Unfortunately, we have a lot of problems to continue this work. You know the present situation in the USSR is very hard especially for scientific research. We would like to know is it possible to receive any fellowship in your laboratory ? If it is impossible but you have a wish to help us we will be grateful very much to you.

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