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Dr. Norton Zinder  
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Dear Norton:

Could you refresh my memory on a point that has come up in connection with some further serotypic analysis that one of my students (Tetsuo Iino) is carrying on? He is anxious to get a lysate from a TM2(PLT22) culture, which, as you know, does not induce very well. But your thesis comments that FA could be obtained directly from TM2 by the use of crystal violet, antibiotics, etc.

Can you dig out the details of this? The presumption is that TM2 is already lysogenic for a phage for which no good indicator was available; have you any other information that would bear this out, or that might be of practical utility in producing FA from TM2 by chemicals: I do not have the data on the concentrations of the chemicals that were used.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely,

  
Joshua Lederberg