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Dear Josh:

It was good to hear from you again and I want to take this rather belated opportunity to congratulate you for receiving the Eli Lilly award. I was happy to learn that my suspicions in this respect last December were correct and I hope that you thoroughly enjoyed revisiting the west coast.

I really had a wonderful time in Europe, not too constructive from ~~the~~ scientific <sup>stand</sup> point, but most interesting and enjoyable ~~from~~ all other respects. I spent 3 weeks in Italy, a few days in England and Paris and approximately a week in Germany including a four-day visit to Berlin. I hope that I shall have an early opportunity to tell you more about this trip but in the meantime I shall restrict myself to conveying the regards of several European colleagues, especially Cavalli and Monod (I forgot who all the others were who wished to be remembered to you). I was particularly impressed with Cavalli. He seems to be quite a bright boy, far younger than I had anticipated.

In regard to your request for references on acraflavine, I find that my own file is very poor in this respect. Attached, I am sending you a very small list of publications which in one way or another touch on this particular problem. There just doesn't seem to be much in the literature in regard to this problem. I certainly appreciate your interest in my book and I am very glad to have the correction. I would also appreciate any suggestions you might have in regard to changes in specific sections because perhaps I shall have enough courage to consider another edition in a few years from now.

It is quite possible indeed that I shall have the opportunity to visit Madison again during the first week of December. It would probably be on the 4th and 5th of December and if my plans materialize I shall remember to "just happen to have some slides along".

With best regards, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

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*P.S. You are absolutely right - the book is far too expensive but I didn't have a chance to do anything about it. I didn't even know the price until the book was*

*actually in the basket.*