

Personal Memo from
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mechanism of sonic lysis
Dear Boris—
It puzzles me that after 30 years
this has still not, as far as I know,
been cleared up.

Did you ever check the role of
 Mg^{++} (cf. stabilization of
penicillin-spheroplasts ... of
J. Bact. 75: 143 (1958)?)

Will TERP protect viability of
sonicated cells?

If sonicated cells can be kept viable
they might still be very useful for
various kinds of bioassay. Yours,
John