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Dear Joshua:

The other day the Vendrelys were here and told me that you had recently succeeded in recovering again the lost Coli strains of Boivin that had served as the donor and receptor strains in his mutation experiments.

As you know we are deeply in the chemistry of bacterial nucleic acids and should like very much to have a look at DNA from both these strains. Would you be able to send me these cultures, provided my information was correct? I might add that the Vendrelys have given their blessings.

Best regards,

Sincerely yours,


Erwin Chargaff

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