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Dr. Joshua Lederberg  
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Dear Dr. Lederberg:

I have written a theoretical paper on the origin of sexuality and should like to refer to the fact that E. coli conjugates. I have been hearing about your observations for a year or so, but have not found any published statement, nor does my friend Ed Adelberg know of any. If we have missed something, I should much appreciate a citation.

Your permission to make a statement merely that E. coli has been observed to conjugate will be much appreciated. If you have a paper in press, I should be most grateful for the citation and for permission to list it among my references.

I have very much appreciated receiving your reprints during the past two years or so. I am tardily reciprocating with my own under separate cover.

Very sincerely yours,

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