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Dr. Joshua Lederberg
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Dear Dr. Lederberg:

You will remember that you were good enough to furnish us with the lysogenic strain of *E. coli* K₁₂, together with its indicator strain W1485. Doctors Mackal and Koppelman have been using these in work on the physical-chemical characteristics of λ and for studying the biochemistry of the induction period. I understand that there is an F⁻ strain of K₁₂ which is non-lysogenic, and if you have such a strain, we would greatly appreciate a slant of it. Our idea would be to use this as a control organism and we would also like to attempt lysogenization of such a strain with labeled λ . We would appreciate any comments or information that you might have.

With best personal regards to you and to your wife, I am

Sincerely yours,

E. A. Evans, Jr.

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