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Dear Josh:

I have written to Stone stating that I wish to work in your laboratory. My original application to PHS was to have been reviewed in March. However, one of my references failed to get his letter in on time and my application has been held for the June meeting. This is fortunate since now I shall be able to revise my application before the board receives it.

The problem which you mentioned dealing with a search for genetic divergence between different strains of *E. coli* interests me the most. It may be necessary for me to submit a new plan of research to the PHS and since bacterial genetics is new to me I feel that I will need your advice if I must submit the new plan.

Sincerely,



R. P. Levine