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Dear Sol:

We just got back from our vacation, and found your letter.

I am afraid I know next to nothing about adaptive responses to melibiose. Gabe Lester has worked on this in K-12 (J. Bact. June '52), and it would look as if it ought to work quite well. I can't suggest any strains that would do better. However, I think that B, in general, shows considerably better adaptation for lactase with resting cells than does K-12.

Sincerely,

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