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DEPARTMENT OF ZOÖLOGY

Dear Josh,

Had the paper typed up & have drawn the figured Mascus thought it was good. Schrader thought it was unavoidably hard to read. Suggested an expanded summary with more emphasis. Sally will read it tonight. I'll hold off sending you a copy until it is revised.

With regard to acknowledgements:

1. I don't think either Beadles or Lil need be thanked. Beadle has been thanked before for leucineless & his role in this development.

After all the nature of the paper itself is going to make it part of Beadle's or Tatum's work. I feel that either Lil contributes enough to a job to be an author or not. I don't want to acknowledge paid technical help unless it's really significant. Brand found out from Miller that the OSRD need not be mentioned. The same for your drug company grant. The same, according to Dunn, for the Rockefeller grant. The only person who might possibly be mentioned is Brand. But how did he help. I think well acknowledge no one. Reading other persons' manuscripts is part of one's job in a dept. — that's assumed.

After our names I have written
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o surgeons. The Dept. of Biochemistry
contributed nothing to the work.

I don't know now whether I'll
be able to get the chemical analysis
of leucine, or the bioassay completed
in time. Our flies is atrocious. I
don't know what has happened
but one of our bottles of salts
contains dirt that looks like
floor sweepings or tobacco. We are
getting fresh chemicals. I may be
able to demonstrate leucine in
the adapted by chemical means.
That is the most imp. point
anyway since I think your idea
of sensitivity to leucine less in
wild type & adapted stocks is the
most sensitive physiological
criterion.

What the hell is an allylating
agent? Never heard of one. I guess
new word, no doubt. J. P. M. 1/14

think a study of leucine mutations in Ed's mustard mutants would add very little to our knowledge of mutations. However, if we have time we might run a Pelbück. So send us an a.g. culture.

Also don't forget your triple mutant. And the leucine absorption data. I found my Regnery papers in a notebook of yours that you left behind on your desk. I have enclosed a list of a few unfinished businesses of yours. Reflect on it some time.

Hope by now you have gotten started. See you soon,

Sincerely
Francis.