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Dear Prof. Dienes:

I saw your paper in PSEBM recently on the Proteus phenomenon, and would appreciate a reprint of it. I regret very much that I did not find an opportunity to visit your laboratory again during the AAAS meetings last Christmas, as I have been particularly concerned to learn about the progress of your genetic investigations. Mr. Beam here, who has been trying to obtain some biochemical mutants in the proteus strains 3 and 13 has still been unsuccessful so far in finding any; has your serological work been more fruitful?

Finally I wonder if you have a copy of the chart of reactions which you indicated you were sending to Sonneborn; I should be very interested to see it.

In our coli material we have still got no clue as to the morphology of the recombination or fusion cell.

With best regards

Yours sincerely,

Joshua Lederberg.