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Dear Dr. Lederberg,

I am at present trying to revive a number of  
our old ~~virus~~ phages and I think we should be able to let you  
have at least a few within a week or two. Unfortunately the  
work has been interrupted for various reasons, so I am writing  
now to let you know that we have not forgotten your request.

I am rather interested in the possibility  
of making another attack on the nature of the phage-bacterium  
adsorption in the light of our work on the action of influenza  
virus on red cells, since in each case the cell component  
concerned is a polysaccharide. A comparison of the two  
reactions might be fruitful.

Yours sincerely,

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