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Dear Dr. Huang:

I recently wrote to Dan Maloney to see if stocks still exist of *Neurospora* stains listed on p. 270 of the 1969 paper by Mahoney, Huang and Backus. He has only some of the *N. tetrasperma* isolates from Ecuador and the Galapagos.

Dan says that you should be able to tell me about the current status of the homothallic forms from Dominica. Are these still alive? Was their species identity ever established with confidence? I expect that there may be increasing interest in comparing *Neurospora* species, by molecular biologists and geneticists, and if you know the whereabouts of viable stocks of the Dominican strains, I wonder if you would be willing to send them for us to carry and to deposit in the Fungal Genetics Stocks Center, which has a good record for preservation?

We would also be interested in having any *N. sitophila* strains that were not deposited (FGSC already has Nos. 243 and 112 from Nigeria).

We have for some years been studying *Neurospora* strains from various parts of the world, hence my interest. I would be grateful for any information or help you can give us.

Sincerely,

David D. Perkins
Professor of Biology

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enclosure

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D301 *N. galapagosensis* var *dominicana*
N200 *N. africana*