

Dear Cappell,

Taylor has just shown me your letter of September 21, and I am most heartily glad to see that you are inclined to accept the theory of Rhesus allelomorphs, which I drafted, after some discussion with you, and, of course, a great deal of discussion with Race. Somehow, I had got the impression that you were ~~not~~ satisfied that it fulfilled the primary condition of fitting the genetic facts so far ascertained. But it is a fact that, for my own part, I should have liked to publish the scheme earlier, if I had had the real encouragement of your support at the time. I imagine that on thinking it over, the thing has grown on you, as it has on Race, and as a good theory should; but I do not think you ever brought yourself to write giving your full concurrence. Please do not think that such support would not now be as welcome as ever, as Taylor still has his doubts, and Wiener will not readily admit, I am sure, that any considerable

clarification has been due to work on this side. He still ignores the Steadman antibody, on which indeed the whole scheme was based. Even Race's publication of the scheme was quite non-committal. Indeed, <sup>for the</sup> ~~no~~ striking ~~clarification~~ <sup>confirmation</sup> is to be expected, unless immune sera are produced containing  $S$  or  $c$ , for  $R_y$  is certainly very rare, and could only be detected with certainty in a parent and child  $R_1 R_y$  and  $r R_y$  respectively, or the other way about.

Yours sincerely,