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Dear Josh:

I have recently found out about your two articles in Nature/86, and when I read them I found them so inspiring I just want to write you and tell you how timely they are for me and my outlook in Science.

Thank you for awakening in me the enthusiasm that I thought I had almost lost after 7 years in Industry and doing Research with the imposed goal of a product, which means no time to follow paths of curiosity and very little opportunity for publication, because among other reasons, the need of saving time by using allready published methods and the ambigous messages: "be creative" and "be safe and get results quickly".

I realize that this is not necessarily brought about by Industry, but also perhaps by the immidiate manager's style, and therefore I'm so grateful that your articles came at the right time to renew my love for Science and my inspiration to continue doing my best even when it means doubling my efforts to be able to keep up with the youngsters. I more than ever appreciate the freedom you gave us all in your Lab. at Stanford and the opportunity to grow and learn from my own mistakes.

Thank you for opening so many windows to the Universe.

Sincerely Hela Pettegrew

P.S. Happy Birthday