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Dear Bob.

For reasons not entirely clear to me, and in part my poor grantsmanship on the previous round of Institutional Trainee applications, they completely passed us by. I now consider the fact they didn't site visit us a serious oversight. The uniquely favorable situation in this Laboratory didn't come through to the reviewers though it was all there in print, in one form or another. This obviously blew up well laid recruitment and research plans.

We're hoping of course that things will go better in the future. I learned today that the program is no longer open, despite pending decisions on site-visited centers. We'll see.

Cordially,

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enclosures: Training Grant appl.

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