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Dear Mustafa,

I was delighted to hear of the project to create a Festschrift issue of the Journal of Physical Chemistry to honor Richard Bersohn. I, as many others, have been profoundly affected by Professor Bersohn's outstanding scientific contributions, his scientific and personal integrity, his commitment to excellence and his unfailing willingness to help others. He has made significant contributions to chemical physics and has influenced many to do the same. A Festschrift volume in his honor would do the journal proud.

I propose to contribute an article to this issue on aspects of coherent control of molecular processes, a topic of considerable interest to Professor Bersohn.

Sincerely,

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