Dear Alan,

I am excited to continue our collaboration studying the evolutionary ecology of Daphnia. This collaboration has led to the development of two main projects; one examining the quantitative genetics of predator induced plasticity and the other the evolutionary genetics of reproductive polymorphism. Over the last two years, I have assisted in the mentorship of two post-docs, Dr. Karen Barnard-Kubow and Dr. Dörthe Becker. After completing a post-doc with you, Dr Becker is now a Marie-Curie post-doc based out of my lab at the University of Sheffield and the three of us maintain an active collaboration. I look forward to continuing collaboration and co-mentorship.

This collaborative effort has also led to two UVA undergraduates spending the summer in my lab in England and participating in field work in Dorset. When possible, I look forward to hosting undergraduate students again.

Finally, I will be able to assist in collecting Daphnia from Dorset (Southern England) on your behalf in the situation that travel abroad becomes prohibited (e.g., due to Covid-19)..

Yours very truly,

Andrew Beckerman.