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Dear Dr. Stenzel :

Thank you for your letter of September 26 and for the copy of your MS. Your observation on the adductor 'pads' being strongly attached to the underlying calcitic lamellae is undoubtedly correct. However, in Exogyra the aragenitic lamellae were easily removable from the calcitic layers, probably due to a differential mode of preservation.

The occurrence, or non-occurrence, of aragonite in the hypostroma of C. gigas and three species of Ostrea is intriguing. Unfortunately, I was too busy until now to obtain some additional material and to make further checks of it. I hope to do this sometime next month.

I shall not submit my MS for publication, inasmuch as it does not seem to add anything of significance to the published, and unpublished, results obtained by a number of investigators.

With best regards.

Yours sincerely,



Abraham Lerman