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Morphological mutants arise quite frequently in *C. lagopus* though relatively little use has been made of them. However, the recent elegant studies of Benjamin Lu (*Can. J. Genet. Cytol.* **11**: 834, 1969) have shown how useful they can be. A new morphological mutant has been isolated after treatment of oidia with *N*-methyl-*N*-nitroso-*N'*-nitroguanidine. It forms a feathered colony on all types of solid media and has been called 'ostrich' with the gene symbol *ost*. Mapping some 15.5 units from *papa-2*, *ost* becomes the second gene to be identified on linkage group VI. Department of Botany, The University, Manchester M13 9PL, England.