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Dear Josh,

Here ~~are~~ the official invitations ^{for you + Esther} to our small meeting the week preceding the Ciba meeting. You can stop in Prestwick (Glasgow) on your way in and do Edinburgh between the two meetings. I have asked Wad to clinch the matter of your fare round-trip London-Edinburgh. If he provides it you would have three round-trip air fares London-Scotland net: this amounts to a little less than one-half one round-trip transatlantic fare.

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But Westergaard can do the following: one first-class round-trip air fare London-Copenhagen plus 500 Danish Kroner. I believe that if you take a round-trip ticket New York-Copenhagen you can do all your travelling in the British Isles and as far as Paris without extra charge. Boris, incidentally, is trying to arrange something in this connection. If this is right (Scandinavian Airlines will tell you), the little extra which Westergaard and myself, and probably Wad and Boris, can provide would almost amount to another fare.

Please let me know promptly whether you can manage under these conditions, so that I may try to get everything settled.

And now as to our meeting on recombination. Would you care to be the one who introduces the discussion on bacterial recombination, leaving out transformation, about which I shall ask Hotchkiss or Harriett Ephrussi? We should try to keep these introductions to less than one hour so that we may have another two hours for discussion.

It looks as if Esther's story on Lac (Lewis effect of /

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of one mutant with two groups which are complementary) were exactly as the ad13, ad15, ad17 situation described by Calef in Aspergillus: i.e. 15 and 17 are complementary, and 13 gives the Lewis effect with both. In this case we know that 13 is not a double mutant (summary in 'Heredity').

Looking forward,

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