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Dear Dr. Cavalli,

I was very pleased to get your letter of the 15th December telling me about your work and the way in which it certainly appears to be complementary to mine. It was very good of you to let me know of this work and when I get any more information of interest I will let you have it.

There is one thing I did not understand in your letter, and that is because I am not a geneticist. You say that one of your aims is to make "strains which, on crossing, would not be heterozygous for chromosome mutations." I had always considered that the work 'heterozygous' could only be applied to diploid cells and I assume that you consider the two mutants we are both using to be haploid, except perhaps for a generation after conjugation, or in the diploid strains having the 'Het' gene described by Lederberg.

With best wishes for the New Year,

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William Hayes".

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