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Dear Bruce:

Good News!

We will doubtless be at Montreal ourselves. It will suit everyone better (including yourself, no doubt) to do most of your visiting after Montreal. We will be happy to see you at Madison after the Congress as we will certainly be going right home. If there's any hitch, we'll let you know at the Congress.

In all likelihood, we will leave Madison about July 15-20 en route to the Stockholm Microbiology Congress and some other points on the way.

You will probably have to just keep trying in looking for Hfr. The first mutants are always the hardest to get.

A new student here, Yukinori Hirota is going great guns on the removal of F from  $F^+$  E. coli by means of acridine orange. This works at barely bacteriostatic levels of the dwe: the drill is to grow the  $F^+$ culture overnight with 60 r/ml of the dye, then plate out and test colonies. Of course, the effective levels for Pseudomonas may be quite different.

Tom's present address is Antibiotic Division, Development Laboratories, Eli Lilly & Company, Indianapolis 6, Indiana.

All our best.

Yours sincerely,

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