

10th. April 1948.

My dear Henry,

Before starting work on icarus there are one or two details of the data which perhaps you could clear up. You say that in cases of multiple recapture you have entered the body of the diagram with the date of the first marking, and, of course, for recapture at the dates of subsequent observation.

Now, in Area II, males, you note two multiple recaptures on August 25th., one marked on 22nd., 23rd. and 24th. and the other said to be marked on 23rd. and 24th., whereas in your diagram the only recaptures indicated are three from 22nd. Consequently I do not know whether the note should have said for the second insect 22nd. and 24th., or whether the note is correct and the entry released on 23rd. and recaptured on 25th. has been omitted.

In Area III, females, there are no multiple recaptures. There is, however, an apparent inconsistency at one point, for the numbers released on August 20th. are said to be two unmarked and three in all, whereas the cell for releases on 19th. and recaptures on 20th. is vacant.

The third case is in Area III, males, where the note says that on 26th. a butterfly was caught marked on 22nd. and 25th. There is a recapture in the chart for 25th. to 26th., but none marked for 22nd. to 26th. The only other recaptures marked for 26th. are two released on 19th.

I think these are all which will be necessary before making the reductions for estimation of death rate and population numbers.

Yours sincerely,