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Dear Salisbury,

In the course of your work on fertility, I wonder if you have ever had occasion to compare the fertilities of pin and thrum style-types in Primula. In a wild population with only legitimate fertilization, the total fertilities are necessarily equal but there might nevertheless be differences in seed output, compensated of course by ^{to learn} opposite differences in paternity. I should be exceedingly glad of it if either you or anyone else had ever made ~~by sampling a wild population~~ ^{by sampling a wild population}

by sampling a wild population, or indeed by comparing total seed output in culture, a comparison between the two fertilities.

Yours sincerely,