

Letter 3

*This envelope is somewhat crinkled, probably stuffed in a bag. The letter within has minor splotches from some liquid and something that glows very faintly blue near strong concentrations of aether. *

Rowan, Cool! I'm keeping records of what I'm learning for any other scholars at the rest, but for the highlights:

- "normal" magic is very rare here, it seems like a mix of electrope and wildly advanced arcanima
- I think it functions as well as it does here because there's almost dangerous levels of lightning aether around here, so the electrope (I think that's already in the guide from the expedition) can just absorb the ambient aether but outside of the area it works much worse without properly attuned aether injected
- I think the runes they use are arcanima, but most of them are too small to see well and they don't like to show ~~me~~ strangers people the currently in use runes. When I tried to take a closer look at some of the displays they ~~got big mad~~ discouraged me.
- It does need to be incorporeal lightning aether. ~~ceruleum~~ other sources I've tried don't empower it.

For your voidy interests in particular, electrope seems to be able to change the **attunement** but doesn't touch the **polarity** of it. I asked if strongly astral or umbral aether acted differently and they ~~shut me up~~ asked that I not pursue that avenue

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PS They were kind of weirded out when I asked about voidsent too - I guess they are from a different dimension so they might not get voidsent? But they do funky stuff with their memories so I don't know how far to trust that

PPS I bumped into someone the other day that muttered something about people that asked too many questions being welcome and planted something on me so uh. We'll see how that goes!

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