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Dear Hy:

Yes, I did study diethazine, and that study represents one of my more interesting experiences. You may recall that you stimulated this study by your report that chlorpromazine and diethazine provided high voltage slow wave activity in the EEG. The material is published in the following reports:

Effect of Anticholinergic Agent, Diethazine, on EEG and Behavior: Significance for Theory of Convulsive Therapy. *Arch. Neurol. Psychiat. (Chic.)*, 80: 380-387.

...*idem*. In J. H. Masserman (Editor), *Biological Psychiatry*. Grune and Stratton, New York, 1959, 1: 184-194.

Effect of Anticholinergic Compounds on Post-Convulsive Electroencephalogram and Behavior of Psychiatric Patients. *Electroenceph. Clin. Neurophysiol.*, 1960, 12: 359-369.

In January I published the study of chlorpromazine as an antidepressant and in that report I summarized your findings and those of others regarding the combined use of anticholinergic drugs and phenothiazines.

I look forward to seeing you next week and will call you on Tuesday or Wednesday.

Sincerely yours,

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