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Ms. Mary DiCicco  
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Dear Ms. DiCicco,

Thank you for the copy of the textbook *Psychology: Boundaries and Frontiers* by Buskist and Gerbing. As I read the text, I recalled the many years in which I collaborated with experimental and clinical psychologists, the years that I held membership in the American Psychological Association, and the many meetings of psychologists at which I or my associates presented our research. But that is so far back in history.

I read the section on somatic treatments in this textbook and was not surprised by the outdated, anti-psychiatry views of the authors. It verified my caution (and surprise) at your invitation.

I am not the man for the job.

I can recommend two outstanding experimental 'card-carrying' psychologists with excellent credentials in electroconvulsive therapy. Both have been or are members of the Editorial Board of *Convulsive Therapy*.

Harold Sackeim is Professor of Psychology in Psychiatry at Columbia University. He is the principal investigator of the two largest NIMH supported programs in ECT research, and a member of NIMH committees. He has the capacity and the staff to develop as fine a demonstration as you may wish. He can be reached at 212 960 5855.

Helen Pettinati is Director of Research at the Carrier Clinic in Belle Mead, New Jersey. She is the author of numerous excellent ECT reports; a collaborator in a large NIMH supported clinical study with Dr. Sackeim; and has the staff and capacity to develop the product you need. She can be reached at 201 874 4000 (Research Department).

Good luck in your efforts.

Sincerely yours,

Max Fink, M.D.  
Professor of Psychiatry