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Dear Dr. Spreche:

I have read your recent report "A Quantitative Comparison of Electroconvulsive Therapy with Hexafluorodiethyl" with considerable interest, as both the method and the results are similar to studies reported from Hillside Hospital in 1961. It is a pleasure to read the results which confirm these observations, for it has always been a surprise to me that a number of observers, especially those in the Baltimore area, have continued to espouse the cause of inhalant therapy without attempting such systematic studies as you have undertaken.

I think you would find our EEG observations of considerable interest, as they amplify the question of "organicity" which you raise in your discussion.

I would be pleased to receive a reprint of this report when it becomes available.

Sincerely yours,

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Director

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