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Dear Dr. Harris:

It was with great pleasure that I received your letter of January 2, regarding positions at the Institute. To give you an idea of the extent to which we have invested our energies in EEG analysis, I am enclosing a copy of a report which was presented at a national meeting three months ago. Since that time, we have added programs for power spectrum, plotting analyses to give us a graphic representation, and solved a number of the technical problems of EEG recording described in your letter.

As you may know, Dr. Harry Neubauer, who was formerly at Newcastle, joined the staff of this Institute last March and has done a commendable job.

Some general facts about the Institute are as follows. The Missouri Institute of Psychiatry is the research and training center of the Division of Mental Diseases of Missouri. It was established in October, 1962, with laboratory and clinical facilities for research. At the present time, of 150 beds, we are utilizing 70 for research purposes. Laboratories are established in pharmacology, psychology, and electroencephalography, as well as a computer center for both statistical and EEG analyses. There is a specialized psychiatric research library as a component part of the Institute. Animal facilities are now being built.

In addition, there is a fully qualified three-year psychiatric residency training program at the Institute, and a special training program in clinical psychology is being established. Both in the research programs and in the training programs, the Institute is affiliated with the Department of Psychiatry of Washington University School of Medicine.

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At the present time, there are a number of research programs in progress. These include Lithium as a therapy for mania; the use of Yohimbine as a precipitant of anxiety and the development of anti-anxiety agents; relation of EEG patterns and organic factors in the treatment of therapy resistant psychotics; computer analysis of the electroencephalogram; the effects of drug withdrawal on behavior in the chronically ill; and the treatment of psychotics by nurse relationship therapy.

Accommodations are available for rental or for sale within ten minutes of the Institute. It is our custom to provide temporary accommodations at the institution for scientists appointed from overseas.

Appointments are made at salary levels commensurate with experience with a minimum salary being \$12,000 per annum. In addition to research experience, satisfactory completion of the DPM is weighed heavily in the determination of salary. Satisfactory completion of the ECFMG examination with either a temporary or permanent certificate is prerequisite to appointment.

I am enclosing a 1962 description of the Institute. I would appreciate a copy of your curriculum vita listing chronologically your educational and professional experience. In addition, a small photograph and the names of at least two referees to whom we may write would be most helpful.

Sincerely yours,

Max Fink, M. D.  
Director

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P. S. My best regards to Dr. Roth.