

April 23, 1964

Dr. Marie Mowrer
Superintendent
Malcolm Bliss Mental Health Center
1420 Grattan Street
St. Louis 4, Missouri

Dear Marie:

I am writing to enlist your cooperation in the selection of manic patients, and their admission to the Institute for study of Lithium Ion Therapy under Dr. Sam Gershon's direction following the enclosed protocol. I have discussed this with both Drs. Smith and Winokur. George has indicated that the need of this study program will be fulfilled wholly from Renard for the present.

The program has met with George Ulett's approval, and is supported by NIMH program #08478. We are most anxious to undertake proper dietary studies to check on excretion and retention patterns of various ions (Na, K, Ca,) in addition to the clinical control study.

We have no age or sex limitation, requiring only the patients to be probable manic-depressed, manic, or schizo-manic states. If patients who may be suitable are admitted, we would be pleased to arrange immediate and direct transfer, by a call to either Drs. Sam Gershon, or Sletten (Mission 5-6230 Ext. 514, 570) or to my office (Mission 5-5446).

I should like the opportunity to discuss this early next week. Many thanks for your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Max Pink, M. D.
Director

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Enclosures: Lithium protocol
Division authorization

CC: Dr. George Ulett, Dr. Ray Knowles
Dr. Kathleen Smith, Dr. Sam Gershon