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Dear Dr. Verdeaux:

During the past few months we have corresponded with the editors of *Electroencephalography and Clinical Neurophysiology* in the hope that we may use the papers of the June meeting for a supplement. The editors indicated considerable interest, but found the reports not documented enough.

To quote: "One expects a supplement, especially to the *Journal*, to be reasonably definitive and to have value as a source book of data. ...It has been a long time since we urged that papers be longer rather than shorter, but some such expansion would be necessary for documentation purposes; this means more tables and more figures..."

We have reviewed the recommendations and decided that the editors are correct. To create a better volume would require extensive additions to each report. We have, therefore, decided not to publish these reports together and are returning your manuscript, recommending you publish it separately.

The idea of such a volume is a good one, however, and I would urge that you consider another convocation with the aim of a larger group, more inclusive presentations and more general discussion. It was recommended that our group meet again in Milan in September after CIMP, and it was my impression that you, Dr. Gazzulo and I would plan such a meeting.

I am writing each participant of the Montreal symposium sharing the message of the first two paragraphs. I would urge that a second meeting on "EEG and Human Psychopharmacology", be convened as planned; and if it could be arranged for September 7-9 or August 31-September 2 (before or after Munich) the Western Hemisphere participants could attend at minimum expense.

In Montreal the subject of whether a consistent EEG change occurred was well discussed. I would suggest time be devoted to the following problems:

1. Techniques of EEG analysis.
2. EEG change and behavioral change.
3. EEG changes in relation to classification (diagnosis of patients, with special emphasis on sedation threshold (Shagass), pentothal threshold (Goldmann) and the pentothal non-responsivity in chronic schizophrenia (Cazzulo, Borenstein, Flügel & Bente)

If the symposium extended over two-three days with 8-12 major reports and many shorter reports, the principal material would be gathered for a proper, data-oriented, evaluated supplement. We could again record the discussion, transcribe and edit it for the monograph.

If the idea is agreeable to Professor Cazzulo and yourself, I will be glad to participate in developing the program, establishing financial support and cooperating in the supplement. I am most grateful for your participation in Montreal, and look forward to our meetings in Munich and Milan.

My best regards to Mrs. Verdeaux.

Sincerely yours,

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