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Dr. J. D. Wilson
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Porchester Road
Nottingham, England

Dear Dr. Wilson:

Thank you very much for your inquiry. 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 analysis. 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.

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

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chronically ill; and the treatment of psychotics by nurse relationship therapy.

Accommodations are available for rental or for sale within ten minutes of the Institution. While transportation costs to America cannot be paid directly, it has been the established policy of the Institution to increase the salary by \$1,000 in lieu of a direct payment for transportation. This has the advantage for candidates who remain with the Institute of providing a higher base salary in subsequent years.

Successful candidates will participate in the programs listed and will work under the following scientists: Max Fink, Director and Research Professor, Psychiatry, Washington University School of Medicine; Dr. Sam Gershon, Principal Research Scientist, Pharmacology; Dr. Turan Itil, Principal Research Scientist, Neurophysiology; and Dr. Sol Garfield, Ph.D., Principal Research Scientist, Psychology. All the work at the Institute is based on studies in psychiatric patients on all our wards. Since the major portion of our effort is based on estimates of behavioral change, a psychiatrist devotes a major portion of his time in the supervision of patients, the rating of behavioral change and the determination of mood, affect ideation, etc., in these subjects.

Appointments are made for a two-year period, renewable if mutually satisfactory.

I am enclosing a description of the Institute, as well as an application for appointment to this position. If this opportunity interests you, I would appreciate the return of the application, a small photograph, and the names of at least two referees.

Sincerely yours,

Max Fink, M. D.
Director

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