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Dr. Richard Abrams
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Dear Dr. Abrams:

Since writing you on January 9, I have read the article by Martin *et al.* in the *American Journal of Psychiatry*. This is a clearer exposition of the experiences with unilateral ECT and the interrelation of the memory change data, improvement scores and the allusion to EEG data are very clear.

If these observations are confirmed, then the study you suggested should be augmented by a detailed examination of a variety of aspects of memory function. Once a study is undertaken to select patients and to treat them in two different ways, it would be a most useful theoretical addition to examine the possibility that the memory changes both in quantitative and qualitative aspects may be related to the degree of altered brain function as measured by the techniques you suggested.

Sincerely yours,

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