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Dr. J. C. Holden
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Dear Dr. Holden:

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 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.

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.

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Appointments are made at an initial salary of \$12,000, with adjustments as may be warranted for research experience and qualifications.

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.

I am enclosing a description of the Institute. If this opportunity interests you, I would appreciate a copy of your curriculum vitae listing chronologically your educational and professional experience, and reprints of each of your publications, if available. In addition, a small photograph and the names of at least two referees to whom we may write would be most helpful.

It would be most helpful if you would describe your present research program, so that my associate, Dr. Samuel Gershon, and I could determine the possibility of its continuation in these laboratories.

Your letter does not indicate whether you have obtained the E.C.F.M.G. certificate (Eligibility Certificate for Foreign Medical Graduates). This is prerequisite to appointment at the Institute.

Sincerely yours,

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