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Dear Joyce:

In checking our records, we can only recommend two reports which are relevant to the problem of maintenance ECT. These are:

Geoghegan, J.J., and Stevenson, G.H. Prophylactic electroshock. Amer. J. Psychiat., 105:494-496 (1949);

Karliner, W., and Wehrheim, H.K. Maintenance convulsive treatments. Amer. J. Psychiat., 121:1113-1115 (1965).

Geoghegan and Stevenson is the only satisfactory article.

I have discussed our experience with Dick Abrams, and he knows of no EEG studies with maintenance ECT and confirms the absence of adequate control studies.

My best regards,

Sincerely yours,

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