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Dear Gino,

Had a most fascinating meeting with Jeffrey. Am copying him on this note.

I found him to be brilliant and I loved the fact that I got more out of the meeting than he did. He is a vast encyclopaedia of health and is able to assimilate information from the best minds in medicine. I found several areas where I need to flush out my research further.

Having said that, on this occasion I did not succeed in getting through to him on the neurology work, though he did accept that a brain software reset idea is interesting to explore. The clock ran out before we could debate the framework fully. Partly it was that he has been burned by applied kinesiology so his bullshit meter was flashing red when I attempted a muscle test. But largely it was my fault because I did not prepare a careful experiment that could demonstrate the base parameters of the work in the allotted time. Either way, I missed a trick here. I am heading to London on Saturday afternoon, so it is doubtful that he will give me another slot before then to convince him in person. But I will lay out my case in the rest of this email addressed to him directly.

Dear Jeffrey,

I watched the video link you sent across, and agree that what was demonstrated there, and debunked, is total hokey.

I spend my time on studying human anatomy and physiology, not so much on making and selling magic pendants ☺.

I also read the blog post you sent across. I was actually heartened by it because

a) I can see more clearly what I am up against

b) I found it to be a largely straw man debunking (I don't treat allergies with muscle testing and strengthening, and I certainly don't claim that all or even most illnesses are cured by these set of tools)

c) The specific techniques that I follow are similar to Applied Kinesiology, in the same way that modern medicine is similar to homeopathy in that both prescribe pills. Homeopathy is 100% placebo, as we can all agree, whereas western medicine is probably 50% placebo and 50% drug efficacy. Should we not use modern medicine because it also makes use of the placebo effect? Should we punish the medical doctor who gives vitamin C pills to a patient who has a cold because he knows and we know that it has no pharmacological effect but is 100% placebo?

The crucial point that I could not get across to you before the clock ran out, is that the muscle tests I use are not for curing anything, but as a diagnostic tool to gather information on where the software problem lies. Essentially, this precludes me from making any assumptions on which muscles should or should not test weak. In other words, I have no interest as a practitioner in one or another outcome because I am not trying to prove that "muscle testing works". On the contrary, I am trying to find the source of the dysfunction while testing all the associated muscles and seeing which ones fail, if any. The biggest danger in my work is actually confirmation bias, i.e., making a guesswork diagnosis and then trying to prove it with a muscle test. I avoid this scrupulously, because if I misdiagnose the dysfunction due to a flawed muscle test, obviously the software reset won't work, and the patient is not cured.

Now here is the rub. The key question for me is, have I stumbled on new science, or have I stumbled on an incredibly powerful refinement and enhancement of the placebo effect, and if so, is that itself not new science? After all, we all agree that the placebo effect works, and that science has no clue why, yet.

The reason this is important for me is simple. If I have stumbled on new science, I must soldier on even if dismissed as a madman because one lifetime dedicated to this is a small price for the benefits that it will bring. Most leaps in science are initially reviled, denigrated, feared, and finally accepted by the establishment. Moonshots have immense option value, so you should consider backing me just on that premise.

On the other hand, if I have simply stumbled on a technique for "faith healing 2.0", my path is even clearer, and far smoother: Just ignore the scientific establishment. I should become very rich indeed by starting a new religion. Time will tell ☺

Either way, I am in for a fascinating journey, indeed have been on one for the past year. You see, modern medicine does not understand chronic pain. Their only treatment is to dull the pathways with opiates or NSAIDs. But I have cured

migraines, PMS, Chronic back and neck pain, fibromyalgia (which modern medicine has zero understanding about). I have cured PTSD, phobias, gait problems. Where I have failed to cure patients, the reasons are only two: Hardware problem, or lack of sufficient skill on my part. The latter will improve with more clinical practice.

The funny thing is that even the complementary therapy guys are upset about this, because what I do is not mere treatment, but cure. I don't have any repeat patients...they are fixed of the problem. If they are not cured in max 5 sessions, I tell them I can't help them. This is not the way to make an annuity income from patients (which both medical doctors and alternative practitioners love to do with chronic patients), but luckily I am not doing this with a financial motivation so I don't care.

Next Steps: I am so happy I met you. Best part of it was, I walked out of your house thinking OOPS! I brought a college level game to the Olympics and got my ass handed to me.

I am motivated now. You are definitely the guy I need to come back and see when I can set up a falsifiable experiment that passes the Olympics test. If I can convince you, you will get the medical establishment to pay attention. I am starting my clinic in India in a couple of weeks, with a partner who is an M.D in Pharmacology with a strong bullshit meter that usually is the preserve of epistemologists. I will come back to see you in a year or whenever I have the extraordinary evidence required for extraordinary claims. Or I'll come back to tell you that I was barking up the wrong tree all along. In the meantime, please have a look in your vast circle...there is going to be someone I bet with a chronic pain or problem that all their resources have not been able to resolve for them. Refer them to me, and let's see if I can do something for them, no charge.

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