

SAYER

When you say people ... you mean living people,

DIRECTOR

Living people, yes. Patients.

SAYER

I'm here for the research position ... in your neurology lab.

DIRECTOR

Neurology lab? We have an x-ray room. The-position-is-Staff-Neurologist. (pause)

A doctor ... doctor. The Camel Institute. Tell me about that, anything with patients there? Or ...

SAYER

(burying it) Earthworms.

DIRECTOR

Sorry?

SAYER

It was an immense project. I was trying to extract a decigram of myelin from four tons of earthworms.

DIRECTOR

Really.

SAYER

I was on it for five years. I was the only one who really believed in it. The rest of them said it couldn't be done.

DIRECTOR

It can't.

SAYER

Well, I know that now. I proved it.

DIRECTOR

Maybe before. At Saint Thomas.

(Sayer is already shaking his head no)

All research. Earth - ?

SAYER

Pigs brains ... they're quite similar to human brains.

DIRECTOR

Are they?

SAYER

Oh, yes ... three years. Excuse me, I made a mistake coming here. Clearly you're looking for someone with more of a clinical background. I've taken enough of your time. You must have a hundred applicants more suitable.

DIRECTOR

Back in medical school ... I mean, you couldn't have graduated without some clinical experience. .(pause). Well, there we are, doctor. You do want the job, don't you?