

24th ISSSEEM Conference

“Heart 2 Heart”

Research Symposium Proceedings
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Message from the Co-Chairs

Welcome!

On behalf of ISSSEEM, we welcome you to our annual Research Symposium. ISSSEEM is an interdisciplinary society interested in the scientific exploration of integrative healing, applied spirituality and the subtle realms. This symposium and the conference that follows are fundamental to an open-minded search for knowledge, providing information, careful research and theories that advance our understanding of humanity, nature and the workings of the universe.

We invite you to explore, discover, observe, think carefully and dialogue!

Dr. Melinda Connor and Dr. Margaret Moga
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Requirements for Submission to the ISSSEEM Research Symposium

1. All studies will consist of new material which has not been presented at an ISSSEEM conference and preference will be given to studies which include data which has never been previously presented.
2. All studies will be presented by people who did the study or are properly authorized to present the study by the studies original authors (IE: PI, co-PI).
3. All case studies will have individual consents from the person who was the case study client.
4. All human studies (clinical or basic science) will have had an institutional review (IRB) or an ethics review which meets state or national standards.
5. All investigators doing human studies will be properly qualified to do human studies research which includes human studies protection training.
6. All investigators doing animal research will be properly qualified to do animal studies research which includes animal studies ethics training.
7. All studies of pre-existing cumulative clinical data must go through a retrospective data analysis human studies review and the person(s) from whom data is being used must be individually consented prior to the abstract submission.
8. All abstracts are not to exceed 400 words.
9. Device studies are to be proof of concept, single case studies or clinical studies.
10. All theories will be presented by the original author or by a person approved by the author of that theory.

The Peer Review Process:

Each study submitted to the ISSSEEM Research Symposium goes through the peer review process. Each abstract is grouped by the category under which the author submitted. Then the title and the abstract is numbered and all other information is removed. The members of the peer review committee then receive a copy of all of the abstracts which are then ranked in each category. Comments are attached by committee members which they feel are pertinent to the peer review process. The rankings are then tabulated and placement in the schedule is based on the individual rankings of each abstract. For those abstracts which have sufficient quality but for which there was not enough room in the schedule to provide an individual talk, the authors are invited to provide a poster session as an alternative.

The Research Symposium Peer Review Committee for 2016

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Dr. Margaret Moga, Ph.D. Co-Chair

Associate Professor, Indiana University School of Medicine

Dr. Margaret Moga is an associate professor of Anatomy & Cell Biology at Indiana University School of Medicine. Her current research focus is developing scientific measures of ‘energy healing’ and other bioenergetic phenomena. The sorts of questions that she is interested in includes: How do we measure the “putative energies” involved in biofield therapies such as Reiki, Qigong and Healing Touch? How do healers develop charge in their bodies? Can emotions be detected in the local environment? How does remote viewing/distant healing physically alter the space around a target? She is currently using: magnetic field recording, random event generators (REG), full-spectrum photography and audio recordings as part of her research process.

Dr. Gaeton Chavillier, Ph.D.

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Dr. Gaétan Chevalier received his Ph.D. from the University of Montreal in Engineering Physics with specialization in Atomic Physics and Laser Spectroscopy. After 4 years of research at UCLA in the field of nuclear fusion, he became professor and Director of Research at the California Institute for Human Science for 10 years doing research on human physiology and electrophysiology. After leaving CIHS, he became an invited researcher in the Department of Developmental and Cellular Biology at UC Irvine. Dr. Chevalier has been Director of the Earthing Institute since its foundation in 2009 and has been Research Director at Psy-Tek, a privately owned research company in Encinitas, California, since 2010.

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National Solar Observatory Project

Harvey Bass, MEng, JD, received his masters in mechanical engineering from Tufts University in Medford, Massachusetts and his law degree from Thomas Jefferson School of Law in San Diego, CA. After spending many years in engineering with companies such as Raytheon, he has now combined his engineering and skills in the law and he is currently part of the National Solar Observatory project being developed in Hawaii. Harvey spends his off hours building to scale historically accurate sailing ships.

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Research Symposium Schedule – Wed, September 21, 2016

8:15 *Moderator: Cristina Smith*

Announcements and Greeting the Community

Morning Session

- 8:20 TITLE: Case study in integrative support for
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AUTHORS: *Connors, A., Connor, M.*
- 9:00 TITLE: Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine single case study of
Peptic Ulcer
AUTHOR: *Connor, C.*
- 9:20 TITLE: Acupuncture case study on the effects on quality of life of multiple
system atrophy (MSA), also know as Shy-Drager Syndrome
AUTHOR: *Wagner, S.*
- 9:50 10 minute break
- 10:00 TITLE: Spirit of Life: A theory of the application of the of Bahá'í prayers
and meditation on the heart, the individual and the world.
AUTHOR: *Ayoubzadeh, M.*
- 10:30 TITLE: Whole body movement creates a synergy for health that supports seniors
as their age brings on physical challenges.
AUTHOR: *Greenwell, M.*
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clinic setting, challenges and rewards of a dissertation research project.
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- 11:30 TITLE: A Hypothesis: On the Identity of the Material Physics 'Hole' and the
Quantum Mechanical 'Positron', and the Implications Thereof
AUTHOR: *McCurdy, G.*
- 12:00 – 1:00 Lunch** (*afternoon session will begin promptly at 1:00*)

Plenary Session

1:00 - 2:00 **Dr. Paul Mills, Ph.D.**

“Gratitude and the well being of the Heart.”

2:00 Questions on the Plenary Presentation by the community

Emerging Scientist Awards

2:15 *Moderator: Rev. Robert Nunley*

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Afternoon Session

- 2:30 TITLE: The power to heal: Heart rate variability (HRV) and random event generator (REG) output as possible measures of a healer's ability.
AUTHOR: *Moga, M.*
- 3:00 TITLE: Positive Effects of Distant Healing Intention and a Pyramidal Structure on Plant Growth
AUTHORS: *Rubik, B., Jabs, H.*
- 3:30 TITLE: The Effects of Pranic Healing on Subjects in a Community Free Healing Clinic
AUTHORS: *Chevalier, G., Clark, M.*
- 4:00 TITLE: A Randomized, Controlled Trial of Wholistic Hybrid Derived from Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing and Emotional Freedom Technique (WHEE) for Self-Treatment of Pain, Depression, and Anxiety in Chronic Pain Patients.
AUTHORS: *Benor, D., Rossiter-Thornton, J. and Toussaint, L.*
- 4:30 TITLE: An Integral Approach to the Treatment of Cancer
AUTHOR: *Cheung, D.*
- 5:00 TITLE: The Virginia Satir Transformational Seed Model: A Social, Psychological, Holistic / Energetic / Spiritual Theory for Helping Individuals, Families, Communities & Organizations, Change, Grow and Heal - Becoming All They Can Be
AUTHOR: *Bulbrook, MJ.*
- 5:30 TITLE: Mythology as a Preparer for Our Age: A Fresh Look at its Importance and Reality
AUTHOR: *Linnell, J.A.*

6:00 Closing Remarks

Abstracts in Order of Presentation

8:20 Abstract # 6

TITLE: Case study in integrative support for

AUTHOR: *Marrapodi, C.*

Purpose: To investigate Post Traumatic Stress (PTS) in Equines and develop a successful support plan. This case study is focused on an off track Thorough Bred (OTTB) mare named Miss Saskia.

Background: PTS is more commonly known as Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) in humans and has become ubiquitous in modern society. Trauma is characterized by dissociation, unpredictable emotions, flashbacks, strained relationships and physical symptoms. This suggests a multi-dimensional effect from a bio-psycho-social-affect perspective. PTSD is most commonly associated with war veterans. However, some research suggests that PTSD-like symptoms and mood disorders have been found in chimpanzees (*Pan troglodytes*) (Ferdowsian et al., 2011). They found that those exposed to traumatic events such as maternal separation, social isolation, experimentation and similar experiences in domestic populations showed evidence of PTSD-like symptoms and mood disorders (44%), using modified DSM criteria, whilst wild chimpanzees did not (only .5%).

Miss Saskia was rescued in 2013 (5 years old), from the Fallon feedlot in Nevada by HiCaliber Horse Rescue. She was adopted by Chiara Marrapodi in April, 2015. In consultation with an Equine Nutritional Specialist/Homeopath/Natural Behaviorist (Sarah Reagan) a protocol was developed to meet her nutritional, emotional and behavior needs. Additionally, Resonance Modulation - Trauma Release protocol - was used to support PTS healing.

Material/Methods: An integrative support plan including an upgrade from a 24 x 24 pipe corral to a 20 x 40 ft paddock with shelter and 24/7 forage availability; Con-specifics within nuzzling distance for support; daily exercise and handling building trust through consistency including habituation to surroundings; monthly nutritional and Heilkunst homeopathic consultations based on a timeline of events discovered using animal communication; environmental assessment for toxic chemical exposure; herbal support; 2 x weekly Resonance Modulation energy healing for trauma release; trust games developing a bond and communication.

Results: Miss Saskia exhibits less stressed behavior (weaving, pacing, running the fence). Additionally, exhibiting more confidence in new situations with fear being transformed to curiosity and gentle excitement. The depressed expression and posture exhibited at the time of adoption has been transformed to an upright posture, glowing coat, adequate weight, alertness, focus, voluntary engagement, ease of handling and general contentedness. Miss Saskia is trusting human interaction rather than fearing it.

Conclusion: An integrative support protocol combined with trust development, collaboration, species-specific management, energy healing and other modalities vastly improved outcomes without the over use of behavioral techniques in an OTTB.

BIO: Chiara Marrapodi is a Clinical Hypnotherapist in private practice in San Diego CA, supporting individuals (adults and children) in transforming their lives through the use of hypnosis in a therapeutic setting. She has studied with the best Hypnotherapy training institutes in California and has an eclectic approach to her practice. She attained her Bachelor of Psychological Science at the University of Queensland Australia with Honors in 2009 and is currently a Master of Arts Integral Health candidate at the California Institute for Human Sciences in Encinitas, California. She is a 2015 *Bernard Grad Emerging Scientist* silver medal winner for graduate students.

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8:40 Abstract # 8

TITLE: Integrative support for Post-Concussion Syndrome

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Purpose:

To determine if an integrative treatment support process would resolve symptoms of disorientation, disconnection and memory loss six months after a concussion which produced clear amplitude asymmetry and phase lag damage as measured by QEEG and when there are no clinical findings of damage to the brain as determined by standardized neuropsychological testing at the six month point.

Materials/Methods:

Client was put on a program for eight weeks with distance Resonance Modulations sessions, Chinese herbs, music therapy composed specifically for the client, dance and movement therapy for re-integration and reduction in clients extremely athletic exercise and performance regime.

Results:

Sensing of physical body improved within a single RM session and continued over the 8 weeks, Chinese herbs assisted in memory improvement as determined by the client. Music therapy pointed out continuing levels of cognitive dysfunction missed in testing by the neuropsychologist and aided in clients recovery as measured by the clock test. Repeat Qeeg has been requested. There is overall cognitive and sensing improvement. Data will be provided on two month follow-up.

Conclusion:

Integrative treatment process assists with long term symptom reduction and recognition of areas of cognitive dysfunction missed by standardized neuropsychological testing. Study limitations include single sample and limited treatment period.

BIO: Tony Connors is currently a student at Berkley College of Music, Boston, MA working on his degree in composition. Tony has been a student of the martial arts for 15 years. He has studied Chong Nu, Ninjutsu, Wrestling, Hsing-I, and Tae Kwon Do, before studying under Dr. Michael Fugate at Golden Leopard Dojo in El Cajon, CA. During the 7 years of study under Dr. Fugate, Tony has studied Kung Fu (Bear, Falcon, Dragon, Crane, Tiger, Mantis, and Eagle Claw), Kempo Karate, Nippon, Jujitsu, Aikido, and Yang Style Tai Chi under Dr. Fugate. Tony is a 2nd Degree Black Belt. Currently Tony is an Assistant Instructor at the Golden Leopard Dojo, where Dr. Fugate still teaches after 40 years of martial arts teaching experience.

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9:00 Abstract # 7

TITLE: Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine single case study of Peptic Ulcer

AUTHORS: Connor, C.

Purpose:

To support the healing of a woman with a peptic ulcer.

Background:

Western Medicine thus far has success with the treatment of Peptic Ulcers. There is a standard treatment protocol, and it is reasonably effective, but relapse is common. Treatment also usually requires 6 months or more and multiple courses of antibiotics and antacids.

Methods:

A subject who had presented with stomach pain, indigestion, and bleeding, and had been diagnosed with a peptic ulcer and was treated with Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine twice weekly for 3 months.

Results:

Gradual, three month sustained improvement, eventually leading to a sudden resolution of symptoms in a 24 hour period with allergic response to herbal treatment within an additional 24 hours. No relapse in over one year.

Conclusion:

Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) treatment was effective at treating the symptoms of a Peptic Ulcer, though slower initially in symptom reduction than Western Medicine treatments. Limitations include inability to compare specific treatments with other cases due to individual differences in Chinese medical diagnosis. Larger trials with follow-up and comparisons to other overall treatments would be needed to confirm the promise shown by acupuncture for treatment of this issue.

BIO: Caitlin Connor, was double major in Anthropology and Political Science as an undergraduate at Mount Holyoke College and the *ISSSEEM 2011* gold medal winner of the *Rustum Roy Emerging Scientist Award* for undergraduates and a 2014 *Bernard Grad Emerging Scientist* silver medal winner for graduate students. A Resonance Modulation energy practitioner, she is a graduate in acupuncture and oriental medicine of the Arizona School of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine in Tucson, AZ and she is currently involved in doing her doctoral work at the American College of Traditional Chinese Medicine/California Institute for Integral Studies in San Francisco, CA.

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9:20 Abstract # 13

TITLE: Acupuncture case study on the effects on quality of life of multiple system atrophy (MSA), also know as Shy-Drager Syndrome

AUTHORS: Wagner, S.

Purpose:

To decrease symptoms that affect the quality of life of multiple system atrophy (MSA), also know as Shy-Drager Syndrome

Background:

Multiple System Atrophy (MSA), also known as Shy-Drager Syndrome, is a rare neurological disorder that impairs the body's involuntary (autonomic) functions (Mayo Clinic Staff, 2002). This condition shares many Parkinson's disease-like symptoms, such as slowness of movement, muscle rigidity and poor balance. (Mayo Clinic Staff, 2002). Many of the symptoms of this disease affect the patient's quality of life in daily activities.

Materials/Methods:

Traditional Chinese Medicine (acupuncture) with and without e-stim, moxa and herbs was used to reduce symptoms.

Results:

Yin and qi deficiency with phlegm, according to TCM diagnostic principles was selected for this patient. With a focus on the overall yin deficiency as the root issue in support toward the resolution of the symptoms of urinary incontinence, frequency of urination at night, and lower extremity neuropathy. Detailed treatment protocols will be discussed.

Conclusion:

Traditional Chinese Medicine (acupuncture) with and without e-stim, moxa and herbs was successful in the reduction of symptoms of Multiple System Atrophy.

BIO: Dr. Susan Wagner is a retired Sr. Chief Petty Officer, US Navy with 22 years of military medical experience. She holds a masters degree in Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine from Arizona School of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine, a Master in Auricular Medicine from the Auricular Medicine Institute in Orlando, FL, Board Certified Integrative Medicine from American Association of Integrative Medicine, is currently completing her doctoral degree in Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine at American College of Traditional Chinese Medicine-California Institute of Integral Studies in San Francisco, CA. She is the admissions director and a professor at the Arizona School of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine.

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9:50 10 minute break

10:00 Abstract # 15

TITLE: Spirit of Life: A theory of the application of the of Bahá'í prayers and meditation on the heart, the individual and the world.

AUTHORS: Ayoubzadeh, M.

Purpose:

To define the theory of the influence and transformational power of Bahá'í prayers and meditation on the heart, the individual and the world.

Method:

A critical analysis method was employed to review textual materials and existing research.

Theory:

The perfect rhythm of the beating of a physical heart is a sign of a healthy heart circulating fresh oxygen abundantly to every living cell in the body. Similarly, joyful rhythms performed in the inner heart are the signs of divine inspiration being circulated throughout the soul, invigorating the human spirit. The vital role human heart plays in purifying the blood stream is replicated by our inner heart as it purifies our inner thought, word, and intention in all our actions with every beat in the rhythm of our daily lives. And assuredly, meditation, especially when focused on the heart and the melody of it's rhythm will bring that intonation and the practice to bring stillness and capturing the beauty of the image of God in our hearts and allowing that to reflect with pure love into every created thing.

Repeating these prayers in joy, in grief, or in our weakest moments can give us strength and open the door of the love of God in our hearts and reveal the mysteries of life. Commemorating His Holy name through these prayers assists us to be in communion with him in a direct approach of the soul to God, advance toward Him and to be more vigilant of our thoughts and actions.

Moreover, it creates in the depth of our being a strong sensation of love and surrender.

Baha'u'llah, the author of these Words, has likened this direct communion to "a river of milk" which is the perfect nutrient, and the more we partake of this life giving food, the more the soul shall advance in the path of God and the greater will be its progress."¹

Conclusion:

Baha'u'llah defines the heart as the "Seat of the revelation of the inner mysteries of God"², and wrote ceaselessly on the theme of sacredness of the heart: "Thy heart is my home; sanctify it for My descent. Thy spirit is My place of revelation; cleanse it for My manifestation."³

¹ Baha'u'llah, Gleanings from the Writings of Baha'u'llah, pp. 286-287

² Mirza Abu'l-Fadl, repeating the words of 'Abdu'l-Baha, from an essay by May Maxwell

³ Baha'u'llah, Hidden Words, No. 59

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10:30 Abstract # 10

TITLE: Whole body movement creates a synergy for health that supports seniors as their age brings on physical challenges.

AUTHORS: Greenwell, M.

Purpose:

To determine if Whole Body Movement improves health for seniors.

Background:

Whole body movement has been an approach to healing used by Eastern Medicine in Tai Chi, Qi Gong and Eastern Dance. Coordination of movement that creates a "Moving Matrix" creates a link of energy that allows all the energy systems to coordinate and flow in a natural and connected way. With the addition of Intention, Color and Sound there can be a directed approach to movement that can produce additional shifts in coordination, strength and vitality. Coordination of muscle groups with their corresponding Meridians and Elements into specific movement patterns for energy challenges identified through manual muscle testing can increase the opportunity for the body to link energy in a specific and targeted way.

Materials/Methods:

A group of Canadian seniors participated in learning this approach to movement over a period of 4 weeks.

Results:

The results of a whole body approach to movement can be seen and felt by the participant as they coordinate and use the innate strength and tensegrity of the body through the "Moving Matrix." Detailed results of the training will be discussed.

Conclusion:

The use of this approach to the senior population provides a new means by which they can coordinate for physical challenges their age may be producing, for example: balance, coordination, strength, flexibility, fear of falling, confidence on stairs, sitting and standing with ease and more.

BIO: Michelle Greenwell is a Master of Science student In CAM at Akamai University where she is pursuing her education in movement and energy healing. She has a Bachelor of Psychology Degree from the University of Calgary, she is a Touch for Health Instructor, a Therapeutic Touch Practitioner, and has owned her own business for over 30 years. She instructs in Dance, Tai Chi and Healing work and is the creator of The KEY to Health with Energy Medicine, Qi YINtegration and the Feet First System. She is the author of "My Little Black Book of Energy" (2015), as well as educational manuals and children's books and music.

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11:00 Abstract # 11

TITLE: Implementation of an integrative pain management solution in a clinic setting, challenges and rewards of a dissertation research project.

AUTHORS: Forbes, D.

Purpose:

To develop and implement an integrative medicine model suitable for use in a pain clinic in a rural environment.

Background:

In 2011 The Institute of Medicine released *Relieving Pain in America* identifying chronic pain syndromes as the number one healthcare challenge. As a microcosm of the macrocosm the military also identified chronic pain as a challenge. The *Pain Medicine* spring 2014 supplement was authored by the Army Surgeon General Schoomaker's Pain Task Force. These articles identified the military's inquiry into Integrative Medicine models as their solution. This resulted in civilian sector interest, inquiry and shifts towards this treatment model. Over the past three years The Montana Center for Wellness and Pain Management has attempted to move deeper into the Integrative Medicine model.

Results:

A summary of the research and the challenges of shifting from a biomedical model into an Integrative Medicine model will be presented. This will include 1) reframing pain from disease centered to dysfunctional allostatic load with treatment centered on reversal of allostatic load indices, 2) patient participation and response to the movement and 3) staff participation in the movement.

Conclusion:

It is possible to develop and implement a switch from a biomedical model to an integrative medicine model in a rural pain clinic.

BIO: Donnalee Ruth Forbes is currently a doctoral degree candidate (abd) at Akamai University in Hilo, HI. She currently holds a Masters in Integrative Holistic Health – Biophysics from Energy Medicine University, San Francisco, CA. With homes bases and family in both AZ and MT she travels between the two, volunteers in the local regional medical center's Integrative Medicine pain clinic, owns an auxiliary healthcare business and has a passion for food both gardening and fusion cooking.

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11:30 Abstract # 3

TITLE: A Hypothesis: On the Identity of the Material Physics 'Hole' and the Quantum Mechanical 'Positron', and the Implications Thereof

AUTHORS: *McCurdy, G.*

Purpose:

To propose the identity of the materials physics 'hole' and the quantum mechanical 'positron' in biological process and to adjust the schema of MESTIC transductions to better address bioenergetic processes that occur ubiquitously in living creatures.

Method:

Functional analysis based on observations as exist in literature, both experimental and experiential.

Theory:

- Re-establish the MESTIC nature of science and the ubiquity of biocybernesis in life.
- Establish the three factors that characterize Nimtz structure non-local superluminality: 1) Choked waveguide, and-or 2) total internal reflection in waveguide, and-or 3) periodic semiconductive heterostructure.
- Illustrate with biological example of microtubules in mitosis.
- Review semiconductor literature to reveal known characteristics and discern the current explanatory ALS, particularly as it applies to charge carriers tunneling through crystalline material structure,
- Describe the Kuhnian anomaly limiting that ALS.
- Illustrate with example of the resonant tunneling diode as similar to pacemaker stimulation.
- Review gap junction literature to illustrate that gap junction channel is in fact a 'very smart' submicroscopic structure that enables intercellular crosstalk on all three Nimtz characteristics.
- Apply the quantum electromagnetic Feynman diagram for electron-positron annihilation, which is shown be a gamma ray tunneling between the atomic electron cloud and intranuclear quark creation in our linear time and also nuclear antiquark to positron creation in antitime. This describes how the positron becomes the hole and also supports the ubiquity of biocybernesis, which were the purpose and goal of the analysis.

Conclusions:

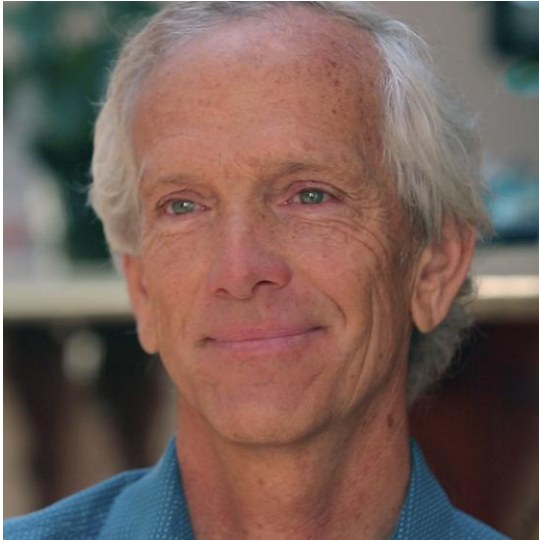
- Nimtzian structures thickly inhabit human physiology transferring bioinformation superluminally throughout the organism.
- The current electron tunneling paradigm is based on one-way causal view of electron tunneling through an inorganic, fixed structure plenal-crystalline interface.
- Acknowledging hole-positron identity enables consideration of reciprocal CAUSAL \longleftrightarrow SUBTLE frequency bioinformative interaction with the antiworld..
- Recognizing cellular cross talk at a variety of bioinformational speeds — biochemical, neural action potential, ephaptic and Nimtzian superluminal.
- Validates the St. Gyorgy/ Oschman concept of the 'living matrix'.
- Strengthens the Kim Bongsan/ Shang view of stem cell.

BIO: Garvin McCurdy, Reiki Master-Teacher; D.G. College of Naval Warfare; M.S. Business, George Washington U.; B.S. Aero Engineer, M.I.T., lives in Maine with his wife of 61 years, "A.M". Active in ISSSEEM since '97, he brings an engineering and operational analysis background to the study of subtle energies in a theory of life and consciousness called 'The Transductive Chain Approach', balanced experientially by 14-1/2 years in-hospital Reiki service, including CME presentations to staff. He earlier made a varied career in the U.S. Air Force, most pertinently in communications, sensor systems, and assessment of emerging technologies. He has been an engineering consultant, small business owner-operator, and published author of poetry, A Warrior's Peace Prayer Handbook, and writings for the ISSSEEM Journal and Bridges. presented a progress report called 'Aspects of the Symbol-Meaning Link, Means and Meaning' at Research Symposium '14 that discusses the classical 'hard problem of consciousness'.

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12:15 – 1:00 Lunch (*afternoon session will begin promptly at 1:00*)

1:00 Plenary Presentation:



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ABSTRACT:

In the field of behavioral cardiology, gratitude is considered a positive psychological factor that is associated with wellbeing. In general, studies find that the frequency with which one experiences the feeling of gratitude, as well as the depth of emotion when experiencing it, are linked to improvements in social support as well as reduced stress and depression. Over the past few years our group has been examining the role of gratitude in maintaining a healthy heart – literally examining the old adage that ‘a grateful heart is a healthy heart’. We have been examining gratitude in individuals with cardiac disease and testing whether gratitude journaling interventions can help improve not only their mood but also more objective measures of cardiac function. We find that those patients with more dispositional or trait gratitude sleep better, are less depressed, have less fatigue, have more self-confidence to take care of themselves, and have less systemic inflammation. We have also taken the opportunity to examine the role that gratitude, as a component of spirituality, might have in the known beneficial effects of spirituality on wellbeing. We find that several of the wellbeing-related effects of spirituality are in fact linked to gratitude. That is, gratitude mediates the beneficial effects of spiritual wellbeing. In addition

to examining cross-sectional relationships, we've conducted gratitude interventions, instructing patients to keep a gratitude journal for several months. The simple act of keeping a gratitude journal, writing down each day two or three things that one is grateful for, leads to improved cardiac function and reductions in inflammatory biomarkers related to cardiac health. Interestingly, an examination of the journals themselves reveals that most patients write about family and friends and we are in the process of examining whether what one writes about makes a difference in its health related effects. We are also extending this more traditional line of research to examining potential human energy changes in response to gratitude practice by using the BioWell device (which captures electro-photonic emissions to assess the human energy of different organs and systems). We find that even a brief 15-minute bout of journaling on the topic of gratitude improves the energy profile of the heart and the cardiovascular system at large. Together, findings from these studies are confirmatory of gratitude's relationships with better mental and heart wellbeing. A more grateful heart indeed may be a more healthy heart.

BIOGRAPHY:

Dr. Paul Mills, Ph.D., is Professor of Family Medicine & Public Health and Psychiatry at UC San Diego. He is a long-standing National Institutes of Health (NIH)-supported clinical investigator with expertise in psychoneuroimmune processes in wellness and in disease, with a current focus on integrative medicine. He is a former president of the American Psychosomatic Medicine Society, former Associate Editor of the journals Health Psychology, Annals of Behavioral Medicine, and Journal of the Society for Integrative Oncology, and former Guest Editor of the journal Annals of Behavioral Medicine. He is director of the UC San Diego Center of Excellence for Research and Training in Integrative Health, Director of the UC San Diego Clinical Research Biomarker Laboratory, and Co-director of the UC San Diego Clinical and Translational Research Institute's Translational Research Technology (TRT) Laboratories Program. He is currently serving as director of research for the Chopra Foundation.

Emerging Scientist Awards
2:15 Moderator: Rev. Robert Nunley

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The ***Rustum Roy*** emerging scientist award is given regardless of the age of the individual to those people who are within undergraduate training or a maximum of one year post graduation from an accredited undergraduate college, university or seminary training program and have submitted a research study that is selected for a talk and that demonstrates a commitment to research in subtle energies.

The eligible list for this year includes one of our scientists:

TITLE: Integrative support for Post-Concussion Syndrome

AUTHORS: Connors, A., Connor, M.

The ***Bernard Grad*** emerging scientist award is given regardless of the age of the individual to those people who are within graduate training or a maximum of one year post graduation from a graduate school training program and have submitted a research

study that is selected for a talk and that demonstrates a commitment to research in subtle energies.

The eligible list for this year includes 2 of our scientists at the Masters degree level:

Clinical Study/Proof of Concept: Abstract # 10

TITLE: Whole body movement creates a synergy for health that supports seniors as their age brings on physical challenges.

AUTHORS: Greenwell, M.

Case Study: Abstract # 6

TITLE: Case study in integrative support for Post Traumatic Stress in an Equine

AUTHOR: Marrapodi, C.

The eligible list for this year includes 5 of our scientists at the Doctoral degree level:

Clinical Study: Abstract # 2

TITLE: An Integral Approach to the Treatment of Cancer

AUTHORS: Cheung, D.

Case Study: Abstract # 13

TITLE: Acupuncture case study on the effects on quality of life of multiple system atrophy (MSA), also known as Shy-Drager Syndrome

AUTHORS: Wagner, S.

Case Study: Abstract # 7

TITLE: Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine single case study of Peptic Ulcer

AUTHORS: Connor, C.

Theory: Abstract # 15

TITLE: Spirit of Life: A theory of the application of the of Bahá'í prayers and meditation on the heart, the individual and the world.

AUTHORS: Ayoubzadeh, M.

Methodology: Abstract # 11

TITLE: Implementation of an integrative pain management solution in a clinic setting, challenges and rewards of a dissertation research project.

AUTHORS: Forbes, D.

FORMER WINNERS OF THE EMERGING SCIENTIST AWARDS:

2010 Bernard Grad Winners of the Emerging Scientist Awards:

Clinical Studies Category (Doctoral Level)

Gold Medal

TITLE: Evolutionary Tapasya: A Vedic Perspective

AUTHORS: Ruth Lamb, R.N., Ph.D.

Silver Medal

TITLE: The Effects of Healing Touch on Anxiety in Patients Undergoing a Breast Biopsy

AUTHOR(S): Deborah Goldberg, Th.D.

Bronze Medal

TITLE: Resiliency in Healing from Childhood Sexual Abuse

AUTHOR(S): Tricia Chandler, Ph.D., LPC

Methodology Category (Doctoral Level)

Gold Medal

TITLE: Bertalanffy and Butterflies: General Systems Theory, Transformations, and Energy Medicine.

AUTHORS: Robin S. Fried, M.A. IEHP.

Silver Medal

TITLE: Creative Holistic Integration (CHI)

AUTHORS: Suchinta Abhayaratna, Th.D.

Device Category (Doctoral Level)

Gold Medal

TITLE: Prognos Ohmmeter to Differentiate Between Pain and Non-Pain States

AUTHOR(S): Linda C. Turner, R.N., Ph.D.

Silver Medal

TITLE: Heart to Heart Synchronization

AUTHOR(S): Steve Morris, Ph.D.

2011 Winners of the Emerging Scientist Awards:

2011 Rustum Roy (Undergraduate)

Gold Medal

TITLE: Dowsing: Anchoring in Time

AUTHOR(S): Caitlin Connor, (Mount Holyoke College, 2012)

Silver Medal

TITLE: A Systematic Review of Biophoton Emission

AUTHOR: Namuun Bat, B.A. (Ohio Wesleyan University, 2010)

2011 Bernard Grad (Doctoral Level)

Gold Medal

TITLE: The "Spontaneous" Remission of Cancer: Theories from Healers, Doctors, and Cancer Survivors

AUTHOR: Kelly Turner, Ph.D. (University of California Berkley, 2010)

Silver Medal

TITLE: The Effects of Healing Touch on Anxiety in Patients Undergoing a Breast Biopsy

AUTHOR: Deborah Goldberg, Th.D. (Holos University, 2011)

Silver Medal

TITLE: Drawing the Unconscious: A Research Study Using a Metaphoric Life Portrait™ to Reduce Anxiety and Enhance Well-Being

AUTHOR: Faith Burris, Th.D. (Holos University, 2011)

Bronze Medal

TITLE: The Effects of Self-Massage On Osteoarthritis of the Knee: A Randomized, Controlled Trial

AUTHOR: Dorothea Atkins, Th.D. (Holos University, 2010)

2014 Winners of the Emerging Scientist Awards:

2014 Rustum Roy (High School and Undergraduate)

Gold Medal

TITLE: Harvesting Energy by and for the Common Man

AUTHOR: Khan, S., Kahn, K.

2014 Bernard Grad (Doctoral Level)

Gold Medal

TITLE: The Effect of the 21-day Q Process™ Intervention on levels of Self-Compassion and Anxiety in Adults

AUTHOR: Bonario, R.

2015 Winners of the Emerging Scientist Awards:

2015 Bernard Grad (Masters level)

Gold Medal

TITLE: The effects of short term Traditional Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine intervention on long term Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and Depression

AUTHOR: Caitlin Connor, MA candidate (Arizona School of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine, Aug 2015)

Silver Medal

TITLE: *Can biophotons measure subjectivity changes in Probiotic bacteria?*

AUTHOR: Chiara Marrapodi, MS candidate (California Institute for Human Science, 2017)

2015 Bernard Grad (Doctoral level)

Gold Medal

TITLE: Near-Death Experience and Its Integrative Imprint

AUTHOR: Maria Maddox, Th.D. (Holos University, 2014)

Afternoon Session

Moderator: *Cristina Smith*

2:30 Abstract # 1

TITLE: The power to heal: Heart rate variability (HRV) and random event generator (REG) output as possible measures of a healer's ability.

AUTHOR: *Moga, M.*

Purpose: To examine heart rate variability (HRV) of healers, concurrently with two environmental variables, random event generator (REG) output and magnetic field activity, with the overall goal of finding a marker or markers for the 'power to heal'.

Materials/Methods:

During 21 Healing Touch sessions (6 healers, 21 clients), I measured HRV of both healers and clients simultaneously (FirstBeat Technologies), as well as REG output (Psyleron) and low-frequency magnetic field activity (Integrity Design and Research).

Results:

HT practitioners showed three different patterns of high-frequency (HF, 0.15 – 0.40 Hz) HRV activity. One HT practitioner showed very high levels of HF. She practices heart-based meditations daily. Three HT practitioners showed modest levels of HF. These practitioners have done inner work/spiritual practice for a long time. The last two HT practitioners showed negligible levels of HF. These two practitioners were younger in age and recently certified. In 20 out of 21 clients, HF levels in the HRV were also negligible, similar to the pattern of the inexperienced practitioners. One exception was a client who practiced daily imagery for stress over a 20-year period; she had significant HF levels in her HRV. The four HT practitioners with moderate-to-high HF levels were able to significantly change REG-output during the HT sessions. REG-output during the HT sessions with the two practitioners with negligible HF HRV activity was random and non-significant.

Discussion:

Our results suggest that a parasympathetic component in the HRV is necessary in order for healers to significantly alter REG-output. Magnetic field activity in the room during the HT sessions showed no association with REG-output or practitioner HRV. In agreement with our earlier study (Moga, 2014), magnetic field activity in the room was associated with physical and emotional releases, and emotions, of the clients, rather than the experience of the healer.

Conclusion:

These experiments are preliminary in nature, but with several implications, namely that long-term spiritual practice in healers produces an HRV profile similar to that observed in long-term meditators, and this altered healer physiology is associated with significant non-randomness in the healing space. 'The power to heal' may be based on development of a strong Mind-Body-Spirit connection

BIO: Dr. Margaret Moga is an associate professor of Anatomy & Cell Biology at Indiana University School of Medicine. My current research focus is developing scientific measures of 'energy healing' and other bioenergetic phenomena. The sorts of questions that I am interested in: How do we measure the "putative energies" involved in biofield therapies such as Reiki, Qigong and Healing Touch? How do healers develop charge in their bodies? Can emotions be detected in the local environment? How does remote viewing/distant healing physically alter the space around a target? Methods currently being used include: magnetic field recording, random event generators (REG), full-spectrum photography and audio recordings.

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3:00 Abstract # 9

TITLE: Positive Effects of Distant Healing Intention and a Pyramidal Structure on Plant Growth

AUTHORS: Rubik, B., Jabs, H.

Purpose:

There is considerable lore about unexpected functional effects associated with pyramidal structures. However, there are virtually no scientific studies to investigate the possibility of such effects under controlled conditions. Moreover, there are only a few scientific studies on the effects of intention on plant growth, which typically show positive growth effects. In this study, we explored the interaction of distant spatial-and-temporal mental intention along with a 4-foot open-faced wooden pyramidal structure on the germination and growth of Kentucky Wonder Beans in a controlled laboratory setting.

Materials/Methods:

Twenty-four beans that had been harvested the prior year were randomly selected and planted in 4 plastic nursery trays of 6 samples each, containing an equal volume of an inert substrate (vermiculite). Each tray was randomly selected and designated as follows: (1) control; (2) distant healing intention alone; (3) placement under a pyramidal structure alone; and (4) distant healing intention along with placement under a pyramidal structure. The pyramid was set on a table and oriented with respect to the geomagnetic field. The 2 groups of plants under the pyramid were centered under the apex. The other groups of plants were placed on an adjacent table in the same room.

Distant healing intention was applied from a group of over 50 participants in an ISSSEEM workshop led by Beverly Rubik at a location over 1,000 miles from the laboratory. This workshop took place one month prior to commencing the scheduled plant pyramid study. Participants were asked to send energy to boost future plant growth to 2 sets of samples, one under a pyramidal structure and one outside the pyramid. They were uninformed about the control groups. Participants engaged in this distant healing intention exercise as a group for about 10 minutes. Physical growth conditions of the plant samples were controlled, including the ambient light level, temperature, and watering schedule. Photographs of the plants were made over time and compared for germination time, growth, and leaf size. Because there was no nutrient substrate, the plant growth stopped at 1 month when the seed nutrients were exhausted. The experiment was then terminated, and each plant was carefully severed at the top of the vermiculite and air dried for one week. The plant tops were weighed using an analytical balance to obtain biomass dry weight. The roots, bound to vermiculite, were not weighed, but only photographed to qualitatively assess root ball size.

Results:

Whereas germination time was the same for all groups, there were significant differences in biomass dry weight between the groups. The distant healing intention group showed 22.7% more weight than control; the pyramid alone group 19.0% more weight; and the distant healing intention plus pyramid group showed 31.4% more weight than control. Root ball size and root system integrity scaled qualitatively with the dry weight.

Conclusion:

The pyramidal structure showed synergistic effects with distant healing intention to produce the largest plant growth as measured by biomass dry weight. These results will be discussed in light of observations on other effects using the pyramidal structure.

BIO: Beverly Rubik earned her Ph.D. in biophysics in 1979 at the University of California at Berkeley. She is internationally renowned for her pioneering research in frontier science and medicine, especially in energy medicine. She has published over 100 papers and 2 books. Dr. Rubik presently serves on the editorial boards of *Journal of Alternative & Complementary Medicine* and *Integrative Medicine Insights*. She is founder and president of Institute for Frontier Science, a nonprofit laboratory in Oakland, CA; core professor, doctoral programs, Interdisciplinary Studies at Union Institute & University in Cincinnati, OH; adjunct professor, Integrative Health Studies, California Inst of Integral Studies, San Francisco, CA. She maintains a small holistic health practice in Emeryville, CA

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3:30 Abstract # 5

TITLE: The Effects of Pranic Healing on Subjects in a Community Free Healing Clinic

AUTHORS: *Chevalier, G.*, Clark, M.

Purpose:

To assess the effects of Pranic Healing on the biofields of those who come to be treated.

Materials/Methods:

Measurements with the GDV (Gas Discharge Visualization device) were done before and after a free Pranic Healing Session done once a month in a clinic setting. The clinic lasts for two hours and typically accommodates 15-35 people at a time. The subjects were also asked to rate their level of pain, mobility or emotion (if relevant) before and after each session. This is an Uncontrolled Outcome Study. In other words, it is a formal study using established pre- and post-intervention assessments with multiple clients, but lacking randomization and a control/comparison group.

Results:

Results for a total of 85 subjects will be presented as this is an on-going project. To date there was an improvement in the average and left-right balance of their bio-energy as well as an increase in the alignment of the virtual chakras. Their self-rating on levels of pain and stress decreased significantly.

Conclusion:

Despite the limitations of this study, the present results warrant further research.

BIO: Dr. Gaétan Chevalier received his Ph.D. from the University of Montreal in Engineering Physics with specialization in Atomic Physics and Laser Spectroscopy. After 4 years of research at UCLA in the field of nuclear fusion, he became professor and Director of Research at the California Institute for Human Science for 10 years doing research on human physiology and electrophysiology. After leaving CIHS, he became an invited researcher in the Department of Developmental and Cellular Biology at UC Irvine. Dr. Chevalier has been Director of the Earthing Institute since its foundation in 2009 and has been Research Director at Psy-Tek, a privately owned research company in Encinitas, California, since 2010.

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4:00 Abstract # 14

TITLE: A Randomized, Controlled Trial of Wholistic Hybrid Derived from Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing and Emotional Freedom Technique (WHEE) for Self-Treatment of Pain, Depression, and Anxiety in Chronic Pain Patients.

AUTHORS: *Benor, D.*, Rossiter-Thornton, J. and Toussaint, L.

Purpose:

To determine if WHEE was effective for self-treatment of pain, depression, and anxiety in chronic pain patients.

Materials/Methods:

In this pilot study, a convenience sample of 24 chronic pain patients (17 with Chronic Fatigue Syndrome/ Fibromyalgia) were randomized into WHEE treatment and wait-list control groups for 6 weeks. Assessments of depression, anxiety, and pain were completed before, during and at 1 and 3 months after treatment. Wait-listed patients then received an identical course of WHEE and assessments.

Results:

WHEE decreased anxiety ($p < 0.5$) and depression ($p < .05$) compared with the control group. The wait-list-turned WHEE-assessments demonstrated decreased pain severity ($p < .05$) and depression ($p < .04$) but not pain interference or anxiety.

Conclusion:

WHEE appears a promising method for pain, anxiety and depression in patients with chronic pain, compared to standard medical care alone. Though a small pilot study, the present results suggest that further research appears warranted. An incidental finding was that a majority of patients with chronic pain had suffered psychological trauma in childhood and/or adulthood.

BIO: Daniel J. Benor, MD, ABIHM, is a wholistic psychiatric psychotherapist who blends in his therapy elements from intuitive and spiritual awareness, spiritual healing (as in Therapeutic Touch and Reiki), WHEE – Wholistic Hybrid derived from EMDR and EFT (AKA: TWR – Transformative Wholistic Reintegration), transactional analysis, gestalt therapy, meditation, imagery and relaxation, dream analysis, and other approaches. Dr. Benor has taught these methods internationally for 35 years to people involved in wholistic, intuitive, and spiritual approaches to caring, health and personal development. Dr. Benor is the author of *Healing Research*, Volumes I-III and many articles on wholistic, spiritual healing. He is Editor of the peer reviewed *International Journal of Healing and Caring* www.ijhc.org

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4:30 Abstract # 2

TITLE: An Integral Approach to the Treatment of Cancer

AUTHORS: Cheung, D.

Purpose:

The purpose of this study was to investigate the use of an Integral Treatment Paradigm (ITP) in complementary medicine to treat the multifarious causes, symptoms and discomfort associated with cancer.

Materials/Methods:

A randomized controlled trial was conducted to assess the effect of a six-week ITP intervention program among patients with breast cancer. A total of thirty–six patients were randomly assigned to either an intervention group or a wait-list control group. A FACT-G questionnaire (Functional Assessment of Cancer Therapy-General version 4) was used to measure quality of life (QOL) of patients relating to emotional well-being(EWB), functional well-being(FWB), physical well-being(PWB), and social well-being(SWB) both at baseline and at final measurements. The opinions of patients were evaluated qualitatively from personal interviews during the program and written reports submitted at the conclusion of the program. ITP adopts Kent Wilber’s integral theory as its treatment principle and draws on Mind-body medicine and Energy medicine for its therapies. ITP concentrates on treating the mind of the person first rather than the disease, to be followed by an education program of self-care and self-empowerment designed to reinvigorate the self-healing process of the patient. The education program covers the four quadrants of a patient’s experience, including self-awareness training, healthy lifestyle education, guided visualization and imagery, breathing techniques and meditative Qi-gong with focused intention.

Results:

Quantitative results showed that patients in the intervention group achieved significant improvement in QOL scores as compared with those in the control group. The mean difference was 15.19, $t(34)=4.48$, $p<0.001$. The qualitative results showed that the mind-body intervention, by emphasizing the positive emotions of hope, faith, love, and gratitude, provided a new lease of life for the patients, an interest in the here and now, and an improvement in the control of bodily functions in daily life.

Conclusion:

The findings of this study suggest that an Integral treatment strategy is helpful to deal with the multi-layered problems and demands of the cancer patient. An educational program concentrating on self-care and self-empowerment at home is a good strategy to ensure continued health and prevent relapse of the disease in the future.

BIO: Dr. Cheung studied Traditional Chinese Medicine and Acupuncture in Hong Kong, Natural Medicine in New Zealand, and Bach Flower Therapy and Care for cancer patients in England, qualifying as a Registered Naturopath and Chartered Health Practitioner in 2004 in New Zealand. In 2012, he undertook research in the treatment of cancer patients with complementary therapies and obtained his Ph.D. degree in Energy Medicine from Akamai University in 2016. He is currently the managing director of Holistic Health Development Limited in Hong Kong, an organization devoted to the development of Holistic healthcare for patients with chronic diseases.

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5:00 Abstract # 4

TITLE: The Virginia Satir Transformational Seed Model: A Social - Psychological – Holistic / Energetic / Spiritual Theory for Helping Individuals, Families, Communities & Organizations, Change, Grow and Heal - Becoming All They Can Be

AUTHORS: *Bulbrook, MJ.*

Purpose:

To present a cohesive theory of the work of Dr. Virginia Satir Ph.D.

Method:

Critical Analysis of papers, books, lectures and films were used to document her influence in general systems theory and serves to outline her influence as a psychologist and energy practitioner.

Theory:

Satir used four key factors in the transformational process:

1. Examine the feelings and ideas one has about oneself. I.E. - self-worth.
2. Establish a way for people to use to work out meaning with one another. I.E. - communication.
3. Define behavior and dialogue rules for people to use when they interact in the family system.
4. Define the ways in which people relate to others people and institutions outside the family: the link to society.

"No matter what kinds of problem first led a family into my office... I soon found that the prescriptions were the same. To relieve their family pain, some way had to be found to change these four key factors." (Satir)

Conclusion:

Satir transformed lives using a general systems approach which focused on contacting a persons spirit achieving " Peace Within, Peace Between and Peace Among," She challenges us to live congruently.

BIO: Dr. Bulbrook is Director of CAM and Dean of Continuing Education at Akamai University, and President of Energy Medicine Partnerships International. Mary Jo has practice and taught HT and Transform Your Life through Energy Medicine throughout US, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, South Africa and Peru alongside her University Teaching in three countries – Edith Cowan University in Perth, Western Australia, Memorial University, St. John's Newfoundland and in the USA at Texas Woman's University, and University of Utah. Her career has spanned four decades combining University teaching and guiding multicultural projects, research and clinical work combining energy medicine with psychotherapy.

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5:30 Abstract # 16

TITLE: Mythology as a Preparer for Our Age: A Fresh Look at its Importance and Reality

AUTHORS: Linnell, J.A.

Purpose:

Within mythology one finds an expression of profound esoteric truths. This paper examines the historical situation and the intended purpose of mythology.

Background:

Hitherto, there has been an assumption that ancient people made up stories to describe what they could not understand. This arrogant position fades before the evidence of ancient accomplishments and wisdom arising from their mystery centers. This paper attempts to correct the view that mythologies were false, invented stories meant to explain the unknown.

Methods:

The paper will use results from Spiritual Science and in particular the work of Rudolf Steiner to show the role played by the Mystery Centers in teaching their people their respective myths. The Book of Jashar, also known as the Akashic Record is the historical source used by Spiritual Science.

Theory:

Few could be initiated into the Mysteries. Mystery knowledge had to remain secret. But the initiates who could see both into the past as well as into the future, had a responsibility to their people to guide them in life and to prepare them for the future. In those times, people's memory was different than today. Epic stories could be remembered with one hearing. These stories persisted after death and helped in the preparation between death and a new birth that would normally be about a thousand years coming.

Conclusion:

Yes, we are those who were so prepared. We'll look at the story of Prometheus as an example.

BIO: J. Andrew Linnell is a graduate of the University of Michigan (BSE '72, MSE '73) and Emerson College, England ('79). A retired 42 year veteran of the computer industry, he reached the position of CTO in 2002. A member of the Anthroposophical Society since 1979, he is president of the Boston Branch, faculty member for the Village University of Concord, and member of the School for Spiritual Science. He has spoken to groups and libraries throughout the USA and abroad on various topics from Quantum Physics to Christian Mysticism to Art History.

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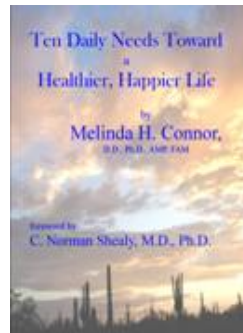
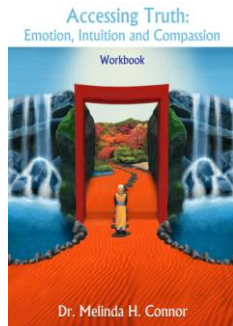
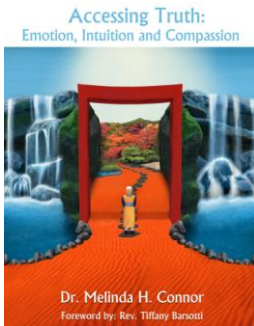
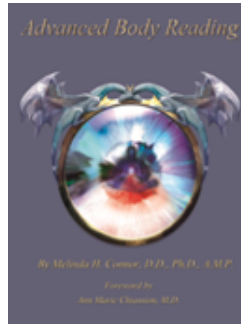
6:00 Closing Remarks

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