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Science

Anthropic Principles as Constraints on Cosmological Models - Bernard Carr(8 pp., from *Journal of British Interplanetary Society, vol. 44, 1991*). These and following articles are background to Bernard's Mystics and Scientists lecture. Reviews cosmic and evolutionary coincidences and the extent to which they support various versions of the Anthropic Principle.

The Uroborus of Science - Bernard Carr (10 pp.). Discusses scales of structure, the macroscopic-microscopic connection, beauty and symmetry, man and consciousness. Shows how the uroborus can be used as a symbol for the outer world probed by science and the inner realm explored by the mystic.

Science and the Divine - Bernard Carr (9 pp.) Reviews the relationship between science and concepts of God. Argues that science provides evidence for the Divine by revealing the beauty and unity of the universe and by using scientific method to study religious and psychic experiences. Argues for a compatibility between science and relitgion.

Life in the Universe - Bernard Carr (11 pp.) Asks if life is fundamental or accidental in the universe, discusses the pyramid of complexity, the Anthropic Principle, the possibility of extraterrestrial life and the evolution of planetary consciousness.

Vacuum Kinematics: A Hypothesis - Judah Tzoref (8pp from Frontier Perspectives)

The apparent inability of current physics to establish a quantitative grand unified theory may reflect an inherent feature of reality. The paper suggests that reality may manifest qualitative unified features that do not necessarily lead to a unified quantitative model whereby all natural phenomena are reducible to a basic mathematical set.

Science and Coscience - GiulianaConforto (18pp). Extracts from the introduction to Guiliana's new book, *Man's Cosmic Game*. It describes her participatory approach based on physics and an understanding of esoteric philosophy. It is the story of the eternal human quest in search of oneself. Sees the secret of life in the heart, substance as intelligent, cosmic, global information and our cosmic game as a hyperspace travel between different parallel universes.

The Seven Riddles of the Universe - Med Thring (7pp) Discusses what the author calls the seven riddles, including the origin of life and consciousness, which he argues can only be explained by the anthropic principle. Also makes a space for purpose as well as conscience in the emotional brain.

Complexified EM, Gravity, and Energy - Shiuji Inomata (10pp from *Journal of New Energy*). This theory predicts the change in gravitational mass of a condenser charged with the shadow electrical charge and the production of a gravitational vortex. Describes successful experiments not only confirming his predictions but also showing that coils extract energy from the vacuum.

Qualitative versus Quantitative Research - About a False Dilemma - Robert Lafaille (5pp from *INSH News*). Argues that an opposition between research methods creates an unnecessary and false dilemma which seriously damages the growth of scientific insights. Argues for a complementary and participatory approach.

Searching Solutions for Current Problems - Robert Lafaille (5pp from *International Network for a Science of Health News*). *Robert writes:* In this article a perspective is drawn to reduce the pollution of cars to almost zero, and is consideration is given to the political factors hindering a move in this direction. Several policy alternatives are worked out, ranging from a reduction of 16% to 100% of the current rate. All alternatives proposed imply no fundamental change in current driving behaviour, but are merely technological adaptations. A feasible alternative to develop an energy system functioning on hydrogen is presented. The necessary technology is available. From the perspective of health sciences it is of the utmost importance to work these ideas out. Details of INSH: Prof. Dr. Robert Lafaille, International Institute for Advanced Health Studies, Kardinal Mercierlei 26, B - 2600 Antwerp, Belgium

Medicine/Health

Thought Field Therapy - An Introduction - Ian Graham (22pp). An introduction to this technique originated and evolved by Californian clinical psychologist Dr. Roger J. Callahan as a natural, non-invasive, drug and chemical free system for the elimination of negative and unbalanced emotion. He proposed the theory of a thought field as a framework in which the causative agents of psychological disturbance exist as a result of an unexpected total cure of a patient with a fear of water. He was using applied kinesiology and applied pressure to an AK treatment point on the stomach meridian when this suddenly happened.

Flower Essences in General Practice - Andrew Tresidder (3pp) Short introductory articles on the use of flower essences in general practice and for children.

How the Past can Affect Us Now - Kai Kermani (2pp from *Healing Today*). Fascinating case histories of patients with current psychophysiological problems that are traced back to an earlier experience in this life or a previous one. The author illustrates this with his own experience as well.

Religion/Philosophy

Healing the Soul: Truth, Love and God - Ravi Ravindra(10pp). A paper prepared for the Millennium symposium in 1998 which draws on a wide range of sources and shows how the healing of the soul is correlated with the growth of consciousness.

Being Scientific about Our Selves - Mary Midgley (19 pp.) The text of a lecture given at Peter Fenwick's Science and Consciousness meeting last autumn. Discusses self-knowledge, objectivity, takes a critical view of memes, atomism and the nature of understanding. Most stimulating.

Gene Kieffer Interview - Gene Kieffer (6pp from *Olympia Institute Quarterly*). An interview with Gene Kieffer about his interest in kundalini research in relation to the continued evolution of the human brain.

The Druze and Reincarnation ... Research in Lebanon - James Webster (3pp) A critical commentary on a Channel 4 programme about the Druze and reincarnation. The programme

took the usual adversarial approach but James does not think that either side was convincing.

Psychology

Mind Machines: A Controlled Study on the Effects of Electromagnetic and Optic-Acoustic Stimulation on General Well-Being, Electrodermal Activity, and Exceptional Psychological Experiences - Harald Walach and Eduärd Kaseberg (5pp from *Behavioural Medicine*). Finds that OAS and ES devices produce significantly more visionary experiences and fear of ego dissolution than rest or placebo, although there are differences in these experiences. Also that mind machines have no significant effect on general well-being and physiological relaxation, although they may produce unusual psychological experiences.

General

The Politics of the Solar Age - Hazel Henderson (26 pp.). The background text of Hazel's inspiring lecture to the Mystics and Scientists conference. Contains a detailed discussion of her proposal for new quality of life indicators and a number of overheads. See also www.hazelhenderson.com

Downwind from Buffalo and the New Anthropology - John Moriarty. The text of the brilliant presentation by John at this year's Mystics and Scientists conference in which he muses on our next evolutionary step - to integrate the past and the shadow into our current consciousness - lest we continue to unleash our destructive capacity on the earth and each other.

Ultimate Freedom - Edward Goldsmith (6pp from *Fourth World Review*). A vigorous talk from a conference last year in which Teddy argues that materialism is the opium of the people and that we need a return to the cosmic roots of religion that stresses the importance of the Way, or a balanced relationship with nature.

Seven Types of Creativity - Ikram Azam (4pp). Argues that Divinity is inherently creative and analyses various forms of human creativity in philosophy, science and the arts. Also emphasises the importance of 'child-like' creativity with its purity and innocence.

The Creative Holistic Mind - Ikram Azam (8pp). Suggests that creativity, culture and education would benefit if subjected to the influence of the holistic mind. The brain works best as a whole when it comes to creativity.

Thy Will be Done on Earth ... - Timothy Glazier (2pp). Reflections on today's economic crisis from a Christian standpoint