
Editorial

This issue extends the international range of *Person-Centered and Experiential Psychotherapies*, including authors from Slovakia and Greece as well as Belgium, Canada and the US. At the same time, we think that this issue extends the Journal's conceptual range also, bringing the perspectives of empirical research on therapy outcome and process and Buddhist meditation practice to bear on person-centered and experiential therapies. Most of the articles touch on controversial issues in person-centered and experiential therapies, so we hope that you will find this issue stimulating.

The issue opens with the two research-related papers: Timulak's challenging but balanced examination of the proposition that person-centered therapy should be looked at as a research-informed therapy, based both on the existing evidence and also with regard to its further development. This is a hot issue for our orientation, as we will see in the next issue of PCEP, to be devoted to the plenary talks from last summer's Egmond conference of the World Association. The second paper is Gazzola and Stalikas' somewhat controversial exploration of interpretive processes in Carl Rogers' therapy, featuring well-known archival examples in which Rogers offers clients therapeutic responses that vary from mildly inferential to those frankly outside his client's internal frame of reference. Are these responses interpretations in the psychodynamic sense? Read their article and the examples for yourself and let us know what you think!

Next, we continue with our series of articles on alternative perspectives on person-centered and experiential psychotherapies, this time turning to Eastern religion: specifically, mindfulness meditation in the Buddhist tradition. Geller compares mindfulness meditation and experiential therapy and describes ways in which they can complement each other.

In the final article in this issue, Lietaer and Brodley bring together some of the fruits of what have been for them two labors of love: first, compiling all existing transcripts of Carl Rogers' work as a therapist; and, second, collecting all available articles analyzing or quoting this body of Rogers transcripts. There is much more out there than most of us realize! We hope that this compendium will prove to be more useful in stimulating further investigation of the Rogers transcripts.

And so we come to the final issue of volume 2 of *Person-Centered and Experiential Psychotherapies*, our first full volume and the end of our second year of publication. We are grateful to those who have contributed to the successful launch of PCEP: to the members of the editorial board who assisted with the time-consuming process of reviewing manuscripts; to the old and new boards of the World Association for their continued support and faith in

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In previous editorials, we have described the contents of the next three issues of PCEP (the Egmond conference issues), so at this point we would like instead to wish you a productive new year and to encourage you to: read PCEP; cite PCEP; submit to PCEP. Also, encourage your library to subscribe, and your colleagues to join the World Association. (For more details on submitting to PCEP, see the back cover of the Journal or our website: <www.pce-world.org/worldjournal.htm>.)

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