

## ***PSYCHEDELICS IN MEDICINE: CURRENT DATA FOR SCIENCE***

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The use of psychedelics in medicine build several bridges between the cognitions composed of images (in reference or not to the unconscious collective knowledge described by C.G. JUNG) and analytical processes of the language (already made preverbal or verbal representations). Unleashing cognitive imagery in a rigorous therapy, may have therapeutic value in accordance with the recent literature.

The first challenge is to accept scientific arguments to adjust the law in order to permit research and healthcare with psychedelic substances. The other challenge is the training of health personnel, with technical skills and human qualities.

The clinical use of psychedelics has to promote a transdisciplinary training based on humanism in medicine, considering the patient takes its full dimension of a suffering being and retains its quality and dignity.

The research about psychedelics should contribute to the knowledge transfer, in the field of life sciences, cognitive sciences, human and social sciences ; this colloquium is a good example.

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- work at the opening of the medicine within itself by decompartmentalising specialties to converge toward the humanistic foundations of professional practice. Work to the opening of medicine to other fields of humanism. Open to associations and organizations
- contribute to improve people's health, social life, and public health
- participate or organize actions to support and inform families
- seek, in consultation with all natural and legal people who wish a quality of care for a quality of life
- provide members with help regarding their work and develop their knowledge, expertise and skills
- undertake any multidisciplinary work to help and alleviate the family and social suffering generated by the onset of disease and disability

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