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Assessing the Development of the Seriexology Specialty (Base-Year: 2023)

Avaliação do Desenvolvimento da Especialidade Seriexologia (Ano-base: 2023)

Evaluación del Desarrollo de la Especialidad Seriexología (Año base: 2023)

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Abstract:

This paper presents an overview of the development seriexology as a specialty, applying, in an adapted form, the research instrument proposed by Zaslavsky (2021, p. 3 to 5), condensing into 20 the 23 items of assessment of the degree of maturity of the specialty of conscientiological research. An evaluation scale with scores from 0 to 5 was adapted to the questionnaire, justifying the items based on facts, aiming to identify strengths and positive points not yet assumed, in addition to unsuspected weaknesses and omissions of the group work. Previous results point to medium-high level of maturity on the specialty development scale. There were positive evaluations in several items, highlighting: 1. Group guidelines for conducting research at the CI; 2. Existence of a specialty treatise; 3. Publishing of seriexology own scientific journal; 4. The Thesaurus of Seriexology Project; 5. Preparation of the synoptic table of the specialty; 6. High synergism of research-parapedagogical activity in the CI.

Resumo:

O artigo apresenta balanço do desenvolvimento da especialidade Seriexologia, aplicando de maneira adaptada o instrumento de pesquisa proposto por Zaslavsky (2021, p. 3 a 5), condensando em 20 os 23 itens de avaliação do grau de maturidade de especialidade de pesquisa conscienciológica. Adaptou-se ao questionário uma escala avaliativa com notas de 0 a 5, justificando os itens com base nos fatos, objetivando identificar forças e pontos positivos ainda não apropriados, além de fraquezas e omissões insuspeitas do trabalho grupal. Os resultados prévios apontam para maturidade de nível médio alto na escala de desenvolvimento da especialidade. Houve avaliações positivas em vários itens, destacando-se: 1. Diretriz da grupalidade na condução das pesquisas na IC; 2. Existência de tratado da especialidade; 3. Concretização do periódico científico próprio da Seriexologia; 4. Projeto Tesauro Seriexológico; 5. Elaboração do quadro sinóptico da especialidade; 6. Elevado sinergismo atividade de pesquisa-atividade parapedagógica na IC.

Resumen:

El artículo presenta un balance del desarrollo de la especialidad Seriexología, aplicando de manera adaptada el instrumento de investigación propuesto por Zaslavsky (2021, p. 3 a 5), condensando en 20 los 23 elementos de evaluación del nivel de madurez de la especialidad de investigación concienciológica. Se adaptó al cuestionario una escala evaluativa con notas de 0 a 5, justificando los elementos con base en los hechos, objetivando identificar fuerzas y puntos positivos todavía no apropiados, además de debilidades y omisiones insospechadas en el trabajo grupal. Los resultados previos apuntan para la madurez de nivel medio-alto en la escala de desarrollo de la especialidad. Hubo evaluaciones positivas en varios elementos, destacándose: 1. Diretiz de la grupalidad en la conducción de las investigaciones científicas en la IC; 2. Existencia de tratado de la especialidad; 3. Concretización de periódico científica propio de la Seriexología; 4. Proyecto Tesauro Seriexológica; 5. Elaboración de cuadro sinóptico de la especialidad; 6. Elevado sinergismo de investigación-activi-Text received for publication on: 31/12/2023. dad para pedagógica en la IC.

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INTRODUCTION

The objective of this paper is to outline an assessment of the scientific development of the specialty seriexology.

An abstract of this research has already been published (Daibert, 2023), and is consolidated here into a full paper to share the partial findings more widely. It is expected that the analyses can contribute to the identification of strengths and positive points not yet assumed, in addition to unsuspected weaknesses and omissions in the group work.

In the methodology, the counterpoints proposed by Zaslavsky (2021, p. 3 to 5; 2023, p. 271 to 281) were taken as a basis for assessing conscientiological specialties.

The original criteria were adapted to create a specific instrument for evaluating the conscientiological specialty, using numerical metrics. A scoring scale of 0 to 5, subjective in nature, was adopted for the assessed items, with the maximum score indicative of high maturity in the item under analysis.

Of the 23 evaluation counterpoints proposed, 20 were considered, eliminating those that were excessively subjective, and those indirectly contemplated in another item.

As indicated, the evaluation and scoring criteria described here present a degree of subjectivity, making it essential to receive criticism to improve the instruments used.

It is important to highlight that this is an assessment of the development of the seriexology specialty, not an evaluation of the *Conscientiocentric Institution* (CI) dedicated to the studies of seriexology, CONSECUTIVUS. However, in some items, the evaluation may be confused with the work carried out by the CI.

The development of the paper is organized into two sections:

- 1. Assessment criteria. The justifications for the 20 items are presented and evaluated.
- 2. Assessment summary. The final average is calculated, and the most significant points evaluated are highlighted.

I. ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

In this section, the 20 selected items are evaluated, followed by the justification for the analysis.

01. WITHOUT THE NOTION OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SPECIALTY / WITH THE NOTION OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SPECIALTY

Assessment: 3.

From the literature review regarding this topic, it was found in a recent paper the three key moments in the development of the seriexology specialty were considered (Fernandes, 2023, p. 12), proposing the following chronological division:

- 1. Until 2014;
- 2. From 2014 to 2021;
- 3. From 2022 onwards.

Still, in the aforementioned work, related to the development of the specialty, the author provides his point of view according to which "it can be seen how far we still need to go to make seriexology a mature specialty, in the *orchard* of conscientiological fields" (Fernandes, 2023, p. 20).

However, there is no complete and systematic assessment of the development of seriexology. It is now the first time that a specific research instrument has been applied to carry out proper assessment.

02. BASIC CONCEPTS USED SOLELY IN THE CONSCIENTIAL PARADIGM / BASIC CONCEPTS SPECIFIC TO THE SPECIALTY

Assessment: 4.

The development of concepts specific to the seriexology specialty and its subspecialties can be seen through practical examples.

Here are ten key-concepts, of a seriexological nature, that have been developed in CONSECUTIVUS publications and teaching activities, listed below in alphabetical order:

- 01. Critical retrolife: institutional courses, verbet.
- 02. Duokarmometry: institutional course, paper.
- 03. Groupkarmometry: institutional course, individual consultancy, verbet.
- 04. Holokarmic self-research: institutional course, verbet, individual consultancy.
- 05. Intermissive reprimand: institutional course, verbet.
- 06. Key-personality: institutional course, verbet.
- 07. Personal retropassword: institutional course, verbet.
- 08. Retroform: institutional course, individual consultancy, verbet.
- 09. Self-parahistoriographic timeline: institutional courses, individual consultancy, paper.
- 10. Seriexological retrodiscourse: institutional course, individual consultancy.

However, there is no complete exhaustive survey with the systematic cataloguing of the concepts of the specialty. This effort is part of the scope of the ongoing institutional *Seriexology Thesaurus Project*.

03. Unawareness of the history of the specialty / Knowledge of the history of the specialty

Assessment: 4.

Since the themes of parahistory and memory are direct objects of research in the specialty, CONSECUTIVUS has a privileged position, paying particular attention to the study of the variable under analysis.

Teaching activities and publications have already been made in historical studies of seriexology, in the broad sense of the term, and the following three items can be highlighted:

- 1. *Antiquity: Roots of Seriexology* (2016): course where approaches to multiexistentiality in the period of Antiquity were studied, simultaneously seeking the parahistoriographic self-location of the researchers, today seriexologists, in the historical reference holothosenes.
- 2. School of Consecutive Personality: in the first of the three modules of its core course, there is a specific class on *History of Seriexology*, being the basis for the training of every seriexologist.

3. Treatise: in the work *Seriexologia: Evolução Lúcida Multiexistencial* (Seriexology: Lucid Multiexistential Evolution), the author reserves a specific section to historiography and approaches the concept of *seriexis* in various cultures (Fernandes, 2021, p. 207 to 278).

In other words, with a seriexological focus, group research does not only seek historical knowledge of the specialty, but goes beyond, searching *parahistoriographic self-lucidity* related to the periods of development of seriexology in its beginnings.

The idea underlying such a group-research approach is the reasonable possibility that the conscin interested in actively developing the specialty of seriexology has been involved with such a holothosene in other existences, whether for or against the key-concept of multiexistentiality.

The ongoing project to systematize the institutional holomemory of CONSECUTIVUS stands out. The guideline is to record all communication materials, slides, and course handouts in printed form in representative volumes year by year, since the foundation of the CI, that can be made available as reference material to interested researchers. There are no plans for publication of the first version, which is why it is not possible to reach maximum scores.

04. MENTION AND UNSYSTEMATIC USE OF OTHER PARADIGMS / SYSTEMATIC AND JUDICIOUS RECEPTION OF OTHER PARADIGMS

Assessment: 4.

Regarding the use of research sources from other paradigms in teaching activities, two cases can be cited:

- 1. Conventional science. Study of the book *Vida Antes da Vida* (Life Before Life) in the School of Consecutive Personality, referring to research into children's past life reports, conducted by Ian Stevenson and Tim Tucker at the University of Virginia.
- 2. Spiritism. Specific courses to study these two mediumistic works: 1. *Romance de Uma Rainha* (A Queen's Romance; our translation) (Krijanowski, 1974) communicating consciex: John Wilmot, 2nd Earl of Rochester; 2. *Libertação* (Liberation) (Xavier, 2010) communicating consciex: André Luiz.

In these activities, as they are works in the context of other paradigms, there is a detailed study with the specific purpose of avoiding hasty transposition of distorted concepts, or any other exposed pseudofactual pararealities.

The casuistry of using the *evidentiary paradigm* can be analysed regarding the parameter of "systematic and judicious reception" of this *corpus* in seriexological research. This methodological research paradigm, especially in its historiographical approach proposed by Ginzburg (1989, p. 142 to 179), has been integrated into the research methodology applied to seriexology, exemplified here in the following four activities and publications:

- 1. *Autopesquisa Indiciária* (Evidentiary Self-research); verbet (Daibert, 2021). Proposition and design of the evidentiary, or evidence-based approach to investigate 20 self-research variables, 13 of which are seriexometric.
- 2. School of Consecutive Personality. Module 1. Class "*Research Methods in Seriexology*". Exemplification of the use of evidence to study consecutive personalities. Module 2. Class "*Seriexis and Parahistory*". Transposition of the use of the evidentiary paradigm in the study of parahistory.

- 3. *Seriexologia: Evolução Multiexistencial Lúcida* (Seriexology: Lucid Multiexistential Evolution); chapter "*Metodologia de Pesquisa Seriexológica*" (Seriexological Research Methodology); (Fernandes, 2021, p. 428 and 429). Item "*Evidentiary Paradigm Applied to Seriexology*".
- 4. *Fundamentos da Para-historiografologia* (Foundations of Parahistoriographology), (Mascarenhas, 2022, p. 255 to 280).

However, other publications are needed for further methodological deepening of the criteria, parameters, and forms of using the evidentiary paradigm, and this is still an ongoing debate in the CI. In particular, the importance of adequately verifying the consistency, coherence, approach, and cohesion of the evidence to support the conclusions of self-research.

05. Only minimal bibliography in each publication / Specific exhaustive bibliography (SEB) continuously maintained by the team

Assessment: 3.

The proper seriexological SEB is being constructed, in a *permanent* institutional – *Seriexology Thesaurus Project*. In this project, with the involvement of nine volunteers, all verbets and papers that are specifically seriexological are being compiled. In the future, such results will be made available on a navigable platform to any interested researcher. The research clipping used is all conscientiology publications. However, it is still under development, not implemented, with its first version expected to be ready available in 2024.

The SEB of the treatise *Seriexologia: Evolução Multiexistencial Lúcida* (Seriexology: Lucid Multiexistential Evolution) includes 160 conscientiological or non-conscientiological works including books and papers. It also includes 106 listed verbets more directly related to the specialty. Although it is a reference work in seriexological studies, this bibliography was not proposed as a "SEB of seriexology" itself, unlike what is observed in the *International Bibliography of Projectiology* (Vieira, 2002, p. 1,007 to 1,095) and in the SEB of Conscientiotherapeuticology (Almeida *et al.*, 2022, p. 1,261 to 1,304). However, it can be taken as an auxiliary bibliographic source, especially in relation to non-conscientiological publications, as it includes reference and relevant works in seriexology studies.

06. UNKNOWN OR TANGENT SCIENTIFIC METHOD / KNOWN AND ASSUMED SCIENTIFIC METHOD

Assessment: 4.

Regarding methodological approaches in seriexology, the following three specific activities and publications stand out:

- 1. School of Consecutive Personality. Module 1. Class: *Métodos de Pesquisa em Seriexologia* (Research Methods in Seriexology).
 - 2. Research Methods in Seriexology. Abstract. Presentation at the 5th Parascientific Week (2018).
- 3. *Seriexologia: Evolução Multiexistencial Lúcida* (Seriexology: Lucid Multiexistential Evolution). Chapter *Metodologia de Pesquisa Seriexológica* (Seriexological Research Methodology) (Fernandes, 2021, p. 423 to 431). Study of the foundations and application of specific research methods of seriexology *present-past method* and *past-present method*.

Thus, the scientific method applied to seriexology is recognized and assumed. However, it should be noticed that there is a need for greater depth in the specific rationale of the same methods in a greater number of specific thematic publications.

07. Initiative of research instruments, whether or not included in the publication / Research instruments defined, described and published

Assessment: 2.

CONSECUTIVUS has in its parapedagogical activities an active field for the development and testing of new *research instruments*.

There are around 25 new courses per year in the CI's *curriculum*. The technical-scientific guideline for the development of these institutional activities advocates the practical applicability of the contents in the student's self-research, resulting in *research instruments* being developed in a large number of courses.

Mnemocycle is an institutional nucleus composed of eleven individual thematic self-research consultancies, being another field of development of *research instruments*. In this case, the proximity to the student and helping to consolidate the seriexometric variables creates an environment of research pragmatism where questionnaires, tests, spreadsheets, and algorithms are continuously consolidated and improved.

However, there is a major bottleneck regarding the publication and availability of these findings and *research instruments* in papers and books. It is possible to say that the published proportion of instruments already developed is still very low.

Additionally, there is no survey regarding the number of *research instruments* already developed so far at the institutional level. One can estimate an *order of magnitude* of hundreds of tools. There is also no survey regarding the number of specific seriexology *research instruments* already published.

Such a task of systematic survey of what has already been developed in terms of *research instruments* will be made possible with the *Institutional Holomemory Project*, not yet expected to be completed.

In summary, there is a critical absence of a culture of publishing *research instruments* developed in parapedagogical activities. Surmounting this issue may be achieved with the advent of the *Multiexistentia* journal, a scientific publication of seriexology, launched in 2023.

08. GENERALLY IMPLICIT RESEARCH TECHNIQUES / EXPLICIT AND PUBLISHED RESEARCH TECHNIQUES

Assessment: 3.

The general framework exposed in the evaluation in relation to the *research instruments* is also valid for the *research techniques*, with some peculiarities.

The scenario of the development of techniques in parapedagogical terms is repeated, with a bottleneck in publication and the absence of a quantitative diagnosis.

However, due to its nature, it can be said that the number of *research techniques* is smaller compared to that of *research instruments* developed in the activities. For example, to perform the *personal retropassword identification technique*, ten interrelated *research instruments* are applied in the specific didactic activity for that purpose¹. In this example, the ratio is 1 to 10.

Regarding publications on seriexology techniques, the following stand out and are consolidated in books (non-exhaustive list):

- 1. *Manual do Materpensene* (Materthosene Manual); *seção: Tecnologia* (Technology Section) (Kunz, 2016, p. 49 to 68).
- 2. Fundamentos da Para-Historiografologia (Foundations of Parahistoriographology); subseção: Técnicas de Autopesquisa Para-Historiográfica (subsection: Parahistoriographic Self-research Techniques) (Mascarenhas, 2022, p. 255 to 280).
- 3. *Megatrafor* (Megastrongtrait); seção Técnicas de Identificação do Megatrafor (section: Megastrongtrait Identification Techniques) (Rossa, 2020, p. 254 to 299).
- 4. *Tecnicidade Conscienciológica* (Conscientiological Technicity); seção: Método de Autopesquisa de Personalidade Consecutiva (section: Consecutive Personality Self-research Method) (Kauati, 2022, p. 155 to 200).

09. RANDOM THEORETICAL-METHODOLOGICAL FRAMEWORK / TEAM CONSENSUAL THEORETICAL-METHODOLOGICAL FRAMEWORK

Assessment: 4.

Launched in 1994, the *Seriality* section of the book *700 Conscientiology Experiments* (Vieira, 2013, p. 590 to 601) can be considered the first theoretical framework for the studies of seriexology.

With the advancement and complexity of the science, the treatise *Seriexologia: Evolução Multiexistencial Lúcida* (Seriexology: Lucid Multiexistential Evolution) can be considered the second theoretical framework of seriexology (Fernandes, 2021). Launched 27 years after the first reference, the work consolidates knowledge, expands concepts, proposes neoapproaches, lines of research, and subspecialties.

In addition, the verbets from the *Encyclopaedia of Conscientiology* linked to seriexology and its subspecialties, specific entries of the *Dicionário de Argumentos da Conscienciologia* (Dictionary of Arguments of Conscientiology) (Vieira, 2014), as well as entries of the *Léxico de Ortopensatas* (Lexicon of Orthopensatas) (Vieira, 2019), related to the science under study, are adopted as reference base sources. However, in this case, it is not possible to list or establish a *team consensus* regarding verbets from the three mentioned works, and neither is it possible to assign a maximum score in the evaluation of this item.

10. PREDOMINANCE OF EXPLORATORY RESEARCH / PREDOMINANCE OF DIRECTED RESEARCH

Assessment: 5.

The following *directed research* activities associated with CONSECUTIVUS activities can be exemplified:

- 1. Consultancies. Individual activity, aimed at studying and closing of a researcher's initial hypothesis of a seriexometric variable, with the assistance of two seriexologists. There are eleven specialized consultancies.
- 2. Forum of Consecutive Personality. Event in which the *hypothesis of consecutive personality* of a guinea-pig researcher is studied through the exhaustive research lasting a few months, conducted with the aid of seriexometrologists, and later publicly debated.
- 3. Group themed events. Parapedagogical activity lasting two to three days in which a specific theme is studied in depth, aiming at group clarification, assistance to specific extraphysical pockets, and eventual parahistoriographic self-location of the researchers in the context. An example is the course *Caso Dreyfus: Análise Seriexológica* (The Dreyfus Case: A Seriexológical Analysis), held in 2019.

Mixed example of *exploratory-directed research* can be seen in the *Seriexological Self-research Weeks*, held annually. In the ten editions already carried out, historical periods were selected for self-location, or key research variables for group deepening.

Regarding *exploratory research*, perhaps the best example is the *Parapsychic Dynamic of Seriexology*. This provides weekly parapsychic interactions conducted in such a way that allows facts and parafacts to guide the research. It is a very rich environment for collecting retrocognitive research data.

It is possible to say that there is a healthy balance between exploratory and directed research activities. In terms of seriexological research, it would not be ideal to tip the balance excessively only towards directed research, as there is a complementary nature between the two approaches. This balance has been sustained, with increasing activities over the years, justifying the maximum score.

11. PREDOMINANCE OF INDIVIDUAL RESEARCH / PREDOMINANCE OF TEAM RESEARCH

Assessment: 4.

The volunteer commitment of the CI adopts the *trinomial: research–teaching–administrative activity*. Research is seen as a basic activity, conscientiological teacher training is an entry criterion, and administrative activities are designed to burden as little as possible.

In the annual *teaching census*, the volunteer must record the progress of their self-research, including goals for writing verbets, papers, courses, and books. In addition, the volunteers' self-research summaries are displayed on the wall, or in virtual format, for everyone, on cards containing the following seriexometric variables: megastrongtrait; megaweaktrait; materthosene; retropassword; temperament; paragenetics; historical periods of interest; key personalities of interest; and megagescon theme.

CONSECUTIVUS conducts annual thematic team research cycles linked to the Seriexological Self-research Weeks. In addition, the thematic events mean that two to three research cycles are carried out each year, with the involvement of a large proportion of the CI volunteers.

Regarding the history of team research within the institution, it is worth recording the following three movements, or attempts to conduct such work:

Movement 1. In the early years of the CI, when the number of volunteers was reduced, the attempt was for annual research cycles to involve *all* volunteers. Thus, the instructors were divided into thematic work sub-teams. The advantage of this model was everyone's participation. However, the perceived disadvantage was that volunteers who were less motivated with the activities could eventually end up missing critical points to the group's work progress, with the consequent task overload for the others.

Movement 2. The second model was created trying to fill the gaps and reduce risks of the previous one. Here, "key-head" volunteers were chosen to epicentre the sub-teams, but with optional adherence of the volunteers encouraged in such research groups. The proportion of participating volunteers here was lower compared to previous years.

Movement 3. The predominant model today is the invitation of specialists with greater interest and motivation in developing the research in focus. Guest volunteers from other CIs are also included here. Although the annual research cycle does not include *all* volunteers, this fact is compensated by the existence of several thematic subgroups for the development of other courses, or the eleven consultancies, where a large number of instructors are directly involved in team research.

It is observed that carrying out team research in practice is not simple, but there is a permanent effort to provide adequate conditions for these activities to occur in an inclusive manner and with a good level of interassistance.

12. INDIVIDUAL RESEARCH PROBLEM / GROUP RESEARCH PROBLEM

Assessment: 3.

The basic idea behind the constitution of CONSECUTIVUS was the proposal of Dr Waldo Vieira (1932–2015) for the intraphysical materialization of a *school of consecutive personalities* (not to be confused with the homonymous course). Such a school would emerge as the basis for a proposed group megachallenge, *The 1100 Project*. According to the proponent of conscientiology, the *research problem* posed would be to identify the retrolives, or "who was who" in the past, of the *entire* evolutionary group of the ICCC, going back in the parahistoriographical line from the current moment to the year 1100.

The research megachallenge fulfils the function of expanding the group's multiexistential lucidity, as interassistance to evolutionary companions progresses and recins are carried out, in a synergistic movement towards reurbex.

Thus, the CONSECUTIVUS master guideline is a *group research problem*. *Individual research problems* are resources or inputs within this larger thread.

However, a broader critical mass of researchers is still needed to fully delve into this megachallenge. To fulfil this requirement, 186 students have already completed the *School of Consecutive Personality*, totalling thirteen complete classes, in the three quarterly modules. Thus, the foundation for *individual seriexological research* is being formed.

Parapedagogical activities have already been carried out in the philosophy of group intersection of research, assisting above all in the parahistoriographical self-location of the participants, highlighting the following:

- 1. 1st Forum of Consecutive Personality (2013). Groupkarmogram of Émile Littré.
- 2. 2nd Forum of Consecutive Personality (2014). Groupkarmogram of Emily Hobhouse.
- 3. 3rd Forum of Consecutive Personality (2015). Groupkarmogram of Marie Corelly.
- 4. The Dreyfus Case: A Seriexological Analysis (2019). Groupkarmogram of Alfred Dreyfus.
- 5. 4th Forum of Consecutive Personality (2021). Groupkarmogram of Louis Pasteur.
- 6. Interseriexology (2022). Research into the group of researchers' interrelationships in the parahistoriographic timeline.
 - 7. 5th Forum of Consecutive Personality (2023). Groupkarmogram of Roberto Landell de Moura.

The 1100 Project itself, whose name is provisional, is still in gestation. There is a working group of volunteers structuring the bases of collaborative research that will assist the seriexological self-location of researchers in different historical periods. Such bases are dependent on specific structures using information technology. The initial idea is to divide coordination into centuries, with research cycles referring to the periods.

As can be seen, despite the activities already carried out, tackling the *group research problem* is only at the beginning and much still needs to be developed to consider a reasonable level of maturity in this area.

13. TENDENCY TO ISOLATED SELF-RESEARCH / SELF-RESEARCH IN THE CONTEXT OF GROUP-RESEARCH

Assessment: 3.

This item is closely related to the previous one. Considering group research guidelines, there should be tools and initiatives to integrate individual self-research in this context.

As already mentioned in the previous item, the Consecutive Personality Forum initiatives, and some specific courses, address the integration of self-research into the group's research.

However, we are still far from a level considered mature in this regard, despite a favourable outlook for the coming years.

14. Greater risk of "rediscovering the wheel" / Lesser or absent risk of "rediscovering the wheel"

Assessment: 3.

In seriexological research, we opted for an institutional design where there is an integration of the volunteer and research model within the CI. Unlike other specialties, there is no Invisible College of Seriexology.

This model naturally generates a greater integration of research with parapedagogical activities. With research being made available in parapedagogical activities, it is more difficult for "rediscovering the wheel" complications to occur, at least in the intraspecialty scope.

The *intra-CI risk is low* because, in addition to the publication of research, there is a lot of horizontal information exchange between volunteer seriexologists.

However, the level of publicity of the research developed is relative. Much research is developed in parapedagogical terms, but does not reach the stage of written publication, which would provide a broader and more perennial character to the information. The parapedagogical research event occurs and the information "vanishes" or is just accessed by a few researchers if it is not fixed on paper. *Event is wind* (Vieira's interpretation of the Latin proverb: *Verba volant, scripta manent*).

Therefore, it is necessary to expand the writing culture within the group by reducing the gap between what is researched and what is published, an objective that should be helped by the implementation of *Multiexistentia*, the parascientific journal of seriexology.

In the context of colleges and other CIs whose work focuses are tangent to the topics being researched, in theory, there may be a greater risk of non-synergistic parallel development of research and tools. This fact is difficult to avoid and can perhaps only be minimized.

The sum of these factors allows to classify the *extra-IC risk* as *medium*.

15. MERE INDIRECT DEVELOPMENT / DIRECT, INTENTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Assessment: 5.

The three phases of seriexology cited by Fernandes (2023) are used here for classification according to the predominance of the type of development in each period. Only the main facts were selected to characterize the type of development in question.

1. Until 2014. *Main facts:* the book *700 Conscientiology Experiments*; the technical team of seriexologists from the Holocycle; the beginning of the parapsychic dynamics of seriexology.

Characterization: Predominantly indirect development.

2. From 2014 to 2020. *Main facts:* the founding of CONSECUTIVUS; the proposal of the Seriexological Development Programme (Mnemocycle), involving the creation of consultancies in subspecialties, and training of specialists for the development of the same.

Characterization: Predominantly *direct* development, with the beginning of the formation of more consistent bases in the medium term.

3. From 2021 till now. *Main facts*: the launch of the treatise *Seriexology*²; the launch of the journal *Multiexistentia*; the initial proposal for the synoptic table of seriexology; the systematic assessment of the development of the specialty.

Characterization: Predominantly *direct* development, with more consolidated bases and theoretical references and a more systematic overview of the gaps to be addressed.

The characterization of the current moment in relation to the reference parameter justifies the maximum score.

16. EGO AND GROUPKARMIC DEMAND / POLYKARMIC HORIZON

Assessment: 3.

In general terms, we can state that the seriexological self-research process of each researcher has an *egokarmic horizon* with immediate *groupkarmic* repercussions. An evaluation parameter would be the number of conscins actually entering the research process.

The group research and the guidelines of *The 1100 Project* would point to a *groupkarmic horizon*. But as already mentioned in the previous items, it is still relatively incipient.

The main factor to characterize the *polykarmic horizon* is the very development of seriexology as a science. The *scientific corpus* accumulated here would be the most important evaluation item.

17. OCCASIONAL ISOLATED PRODUCTION / INCREASING PERIODICAL PRODUCTION

Assessment: 3.

To evaluate this topic, a provisional list of 325 verbets of specialties related to seriexology included in the *Seriexology Thesaurus Project*, updated until December 2022, was considered.

A total of 91 authors contributed to writing the verbets on these specialties. However, most of the production is concentrated in only a few authors. Seven authors account for 60% of the material produced. The cut-off line of 80% of the content is obtained with 30 authors.

Figure 1 shows the 3-year moving average and the trend line obtained by linear regression of the production of verbets for the *Encyclopaedia of Conscientiology* of specialties related to seriexology between 2005 and 2022.

Verbets - 3-year moving agerage

30,0

y = 0,9877x - 1971,2

R² = 0,6364

20,0

15,0

5,0

0,0

2007 2009 2011 2013 2015 2017 2019 2021

FIGURE 1. VERBETS OUTPUT: 2005 TO 2022

In a brief and simplified analysis, we can see the growth of publications in the area indicated by the positive linear regression coefficient (0.98). The behaviour is 64% explained by the curve (R²) and suggests growth of approximately 1 verbet on average for each year of the series.

It is concluded that the trend was consistent, showing growth in the number of verbets on seriexology and its related specialties published. It is interesting to note the sustainability of the trend, even after the desoma of the main author in this science – Waldo Vieira was responsible for 71 verbets on this field.

The same assessment can be drawn for seriexology papers and related specialties.

141 papers were published in the period until December 2022, therefore before the launch of the *Multiexistentia* journal. Of these, 35 (25% of the total) came from calls for papers made by CONSECUTIVUS. The evolution of the 3-year moving average is shown in figure 2.

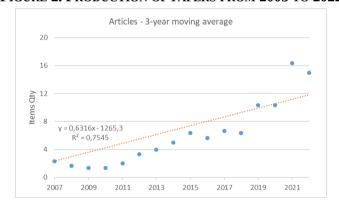


FIGURE 2. PRODUCTION OF PAPERS FROM 2005 TO 2022

Analysing the data, we can see the growth of publications in the area indicated by the positive linear regression coefficient (0.63). The behaviour is 75% explained by the curve (R²) and suggests growth of approximately 0.6 papers on average for each year of the series. The concentration of new papers in more recent periods shows the value and importance of the specific calls for papers in encouraging and prompting researchers to publish.

18. Unthreaded Publications / Threaded Publications

Assessment: 4.

Regarding *threaded publications*, we can trace the maturation of the seriexology specialty in three periods:

- 1. Until 2018: less mature. Isolated papers published by researchers.
- 2. From 2019 to 2022: transition period. Occasional calls for papers promoted by CONSECUTIVUS.
- 3. 2023 onwards: more mature. Launch of a specialized journal, on an annual basis.

During the *transition period*, three special editions of the *Conscientia* magazine were published with exclusive seriexology themes, in 2019, 2021, and 2022.

As one can observe, in four years, production was published in three special editions of a non-specialized periodical. This fact suggested the existence of a *critical mass* of researchers qualified to write on the specialty. Figure 3 shows the papers published from 1998 to 2022. It is possible to observe the relevance of the papers published, attracted by calls for papers in the most recent period.

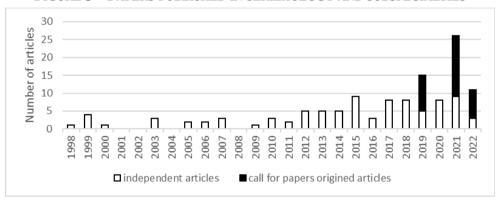


FIGURE 3 - PAPERS PUBLISHED IN SERIEXOLOGY AND SUBSPECIALTIES

Considering the need for a permanent space for publishing and debating ideas specific to the science, CONSECUTIVUS guided its efforts to implement a new specific technical publication in seriexology. The first edition of the *Multiexistentia* journal, intended to be published annually, was launched in 2023. In addition to pointing to a reasonable maturity of the specialty, as it is still a very recent publication, we cannot attribute the maximum score, as the sustainability of the work in the medium and long term still needs to be established.

19. IMPLICIT OR ABSENT REFUTABILITY / EXPLICIT REFUTABILITY

Assessment: 3.

Regarding the knowledge of conventional science, the refutation of limited approaches typical of this paradigm regarding the theme of multiple lives is recurrent, both in publications and in CONSECUTIVUS' parapedagogical activities.

No papers or works with references to more explicit refutations of seriexological concepts emerged within the scientific *corpus* of conscientiology were found during the research for the writing of this paper. This does not necessarily mean that there is no recycling, reviewing, or expansion of concepts related to the specialty.

Chapter 533 of the *700 Conscientiology Experiments* (Vieira, 2013, p. 597), a book written by the proponent of the science conscientiology, is the first conscientiological record of the technique of multiexistential personality comparison. As such, chapter 533 can be considered one of the initial methodological foundations for the

existence of the institution CONSECUTIVUS – whose onomastics refer to the study of the consecutive personality phenomenon.

It is understood that this chapter could be considered surpassed in scientific terms (Base-year: 2023). This statement arises from the development of the formulas and methodologies applicable to the comparison of consecutive personality hypotheses already existing to date.

In addition to providing technical advice dedicated to the theme of multiexistential comparison with constant development and advancement of specific analysis techniques, 186 students from the School of Consecutive Personality have already partially applied such analysis techniques. There are two books published by seriexologists whose focus is the study of seriexological comparisons, expanding the theoretical approaches on the topic.

Here are a few additional arguments refuting the bases of chapter 533:

- 1. Linearity: The proposed factor is indicative of a merely linear point of comparison between different phenomena. Today there are already proposals for weighing specific evidence, according to the singularity and particularity of the phenomenon under analysis.
- 2. Weights: The problem of identifying consecutive personalities today is more clearly understood based on casuistries. It is known that a temperament trait, the hard core of consciousness, when multiexistentially more stable, must be considered differently from a personality trait, which is more unstable, or fickle, according to mesology.
- 3. Intermissiology: The *intermissive reprimand theory* partially refutes the argument that essential differences in the manifestation of the individuals under analysis necessarily contradict the consecutive personality hypothesis.
- 4. Countermarch: The *theory of broken lines in the seriexis* demonstrates the complexity of the apparent evolutionary regressions of a consciousness in a specific life.
- 5. Paraphenomenology: The chapter states "Only healthy self-retrocognitions are reliable evaluative elements regarding seriexis". Such a statement can be relativized. Although the past-present approach is essential to the study of seriexis, through the present-past approach, from evidentiary bases, it is possible to gather a series of strong, varied, convergent, and well-catenated evidence to create reliable assessments regarding self-seriexis. Sometimes such series of evidence can, at least in theory, be superior to a healthy self-retrocognition, with the specific aim of demonstrating to the researcher reliable evaluation of their own past.

In other words, there are indicatives of the implicit refutability of seriexological concepts in the development of the specialty. The absence of explicit refutability can be partially explained by the technical proposal of seriexology being relatively recent, however, it may show a gap to be addressed in terms of group scientific culture. It shows a partial immaturity in development. The problem remains open for future investigation by interested researchers.

20. NO RESEARCH PROGRAMME / EXISTENCE OF A RESEARCH PROGRAMME

Assessment: 4.

Related to this item, Zaslavsky (2023, p. 276 and 277) considers seriexology and conscientiotherapeuticology examples of conscientiological specialties that should have a research programme.

The Interscientific Council³, in 2022, suggested seven items for a *Specialty Research Programme*, appraised here in relation to seriexology:

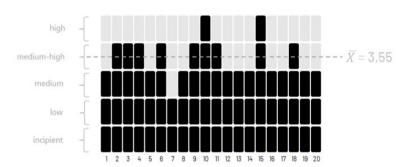
- 1. Define and describe the specialty: ok.
- 2. Raise the conscientiological SEB: in progress, according to assessment item No. 5.
- 3. Conceptualize fundamentals and respective definitions: ok.
- 4. Survey of instruments, techniques, and methods: pending item.
- 5. Fundamental bibliography of the specialty: ok.
- 6. Delimit the field of study of the specialty, identifying and defining subspecialties: ok.
- 7. Build a synoptic table, expanding and composing contained themes: 1st version submitted.

II. SUMMARY OF ASSESSMENT

A visual summary of the scores awarded in the assessment is shown in figure 4.

FIGURE 4 – SYNTHESIS OF SCORES

Specialty maturity metric



According to the criteria adopted in this analysis, an average score of 3.55 was assigned. This average is equivalent to 71% of the maximum possible score in the evaluation, approaching the *medium-high* level of maturity on the adopted scale.

Taking into account that CONSECUTIVUS is a relatively new CI, with less than ten years of foundation, the findings can be considered significant and a result of the development of the specialty in such a relatively short period of time.

More important than numbers or the score itself, which may vary according to the subjective criteria of the evaluator, are the *insights* that the present assessment brings regarding the group work of developing the specialty.

Some points weighed positively in the evaluation of several items, and we highlight the following:

- 1. The sense of groupality when conducting research in the CI.
- 2. The existence of a specialty treatise.
- 3. The creation of seriexology scientific journal.
- 4. The Seriexology Thesaurus Project.
- 5. The preparation of the synoptic table of the specialty.
- 6. The high synergism of research activity—parapedagogical activity in the CI.

Other points weighed negatively in the evaluation of several items, including the following two:

- 1. The gap between knowledge production and written knowledge publication.
- 2. The absence of systematic surveys regarding the knowledge already produced in the CI.

FINAL CONSIDERATIONS

The research instrument presented in this paper can be applied in the assessment of conscientiological specialties, especially by the interested CIs and *Invisible Colleges*.

The first effect of its application would be the better "calibration" of this research instrument and the analysis of the scores. As there is a certain level of subjectivity involved, publishing the assessment of other specialties would allow for a greater degree of critique and analysis of blind spots related to the items. This would make it possible to achieve a higher level of validation of the instrument.

The second point is the identification of strengths and weaknesses of the group's work in the respective specialty, pointing out paths and work guidelines in the medium term.

The third consequence of applying research instruments to survey group work would be to help empirically extract the most effective experiences and practices to achieve high levels of maturity in the development of the specialties.

This effect is of particular interest when it is observed that CIs still work with low informational integration and exchange of experience between peers, despite integration efforts. The exchange of experiences through technical assessment instruments can prevent "reinventing the wheel" with positive consequences for achieving the group's maxiproexis.

NOTES

- 1. Handouts to students of the Identification of Retropassword course, 13th Class; Organizer: Pedro Fernandes; CONSECUTIVUS parapedagogical activity; September 2021.
- 2. In the classification of the original paper, Fernandes proposes the seriexology treatise, published in 2021, as belonging to the second phase of the development of the specialty. Our proposal is that this treatise represents the starting point for the third phase. In the original paper, it would start in 2022.
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