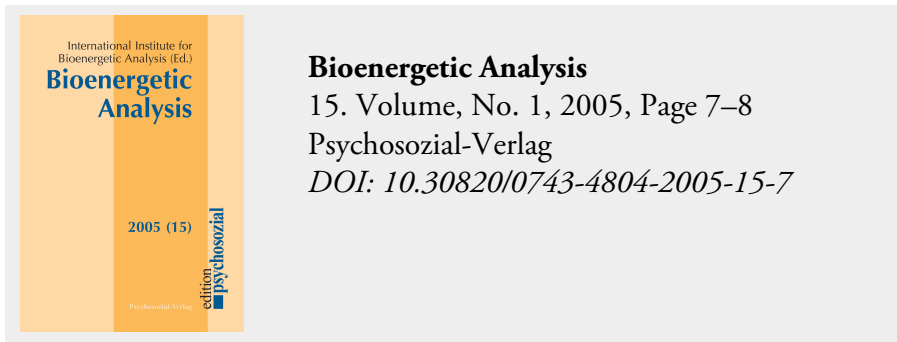


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Editorial

About one and a half years ago John Conger announced that he wished to resign as Editor-in-Chief of *Bioenergetic Analysis – The Clinical Journal of the IIBA* after eight years. In fall of 2003 I was appointed to be the new editor.

Since *Bioenergetic Analysis* is an international journal it was clear that an editorial board for it should comprise representatives from different continents and countries. Helen Resneck-Sannes from Santa Cruz, California, and Mae Nascimento from Sao Paulo, Brazil, fortunately were ready to join.

What is new is that we found a well-reputed publishing house, the *Psychozial-Verlag*, Giessen, FRG, to produce our Journal and that we introduced a system of blind peer reviews for submitted manuscripts.

This issue contains three key note lectures from the IIBA conference 2003 at Salvador Bahia, Brazil (H.Resneck-Sannes, B.Lewis, H.Traue), two original articles (M.Nascimento and, A.Klopstech) and a review of Lowen's autobiography (P.Helfaer).

Bioenergetic Analysis is presently published once a year. We do hope that it continues to serve its purpose of being a medium of communication for the International Bioenergetic Community and of presenting our theoretical concepts and positions, our clinical expertise and psychotherapeutic skills to the wider scientific community.

The opinions and theoretical positions of the articles published in *Bioenergetic Analysis* are those of the authors. They do not necessarily represent the opinion of the editors or an official position of the IIBA. Thanks to our new review system we hope that they are skillfully written, scientifically well informed and sufficiently sophisticated so they will instigate serious dispute among our colleagues in the IIBA and from other schools of thought.

Helen, Mae and I have become a miraculous team during this past year, considering the fact that we live on three different continents, speak three different languages, never met in person and had no conference calls. E-mailing was our only means of communication.

This year has also provided insight into John Conger's work during the past years. We admire it and would like to thank him on behalf of our professional community at this point in time.

We would also like to invite everyone in the membership of the IIBA to contribute to a continuously prosperous development of this journal whatever you have to offer.

I hope you all enjoy reading this issue!

Zürich, 1.12.2004

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