

Welcome BrainToBeing

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Thank you! As a neurologist I've spent my career looking at behavior from an "organic" (biological) perspective. I can actually have a lot to say on the subject, if we (collectively) are interested.

A problem in healthcare has been the tendency to react to symptoms without adequate effort to discover the root causes of symptoms. This tendency derives from the fact that it is far simpler to react to symptoms than to understand how we get them. Yet, a purely symptom-oriented approach only works if the basic illness will take care of itself - recovering or healing on its own. In simple illnesses (e.g. a bump or bruise) this may work. In complex illness it doesn't. This bears on why we need to dig below the surface - thus advocating a "materialist" perspective.

However, when looking "at the structure of things" I do not seek to remove the romance from life, nor deny our individual experiences of it. So, in medicine I have been very aware of biological substrates for behavior and experience while simultaneously holding "space" for psychological and social elements of our life experiences. This invites, in our current context here, a consideration of sensation, and its implications.

Regards.