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In their article "Uniting Fields of Knowledge: The Role of Interdisciplinary Journals in Science," Sara Tóth Martínez, Roland Mertelsmann, Gerhard Steinmann, Neher Aseem Parimoo, and Cinthya Souza Simas compare the josha-journal with other interdisciplinary journals like Isis, Daedalus, and Studium Generale. Despite their different origins, all these journals foster the exchange between scientific disciplines. The article also analyzes the transformation in the meaning and production of science. According to the study, interdisciplinary journals emerge in response to a changed intellectual environment, promoting a more holistic science communication approach.

German Andres Guevara Lizarazo explores the Dandy-Walker Malformation (DWM), a rare congenital brain abnormality affecting the cerebellum and the posterior cranial fossa, occurring in approximately 1 in 35,000 births. It is characterized by the absence of the cerebellar vermis, dilation of the fourth ventricle, and an enlarged posterior cranial fossa. In this case, DWM was diagnosed in a 16-year-old pregnant woman at 23 weeks of pregnancy. Additionally, severe intrauterine growth restriction, a malformation of the corpus callosum, and heart defects were found. A PCR test confirmed infection with *Toxoplasma gondii*. Despite treatment, intrauterine fetal death occurred at 24 weeks. A chromosomal analysis showed no genetic abnormalities, pointing to a rare infectious cause. This case highlights the importance of early toxoplasmosis screening during pregnancy for early targeted diagnoses and treatments.

At the SciCultureD course in Malta, former Josha editor Neher Parimoo learned how creative, interdisciplinary approaches can promote sustainable and inclusive cities. The course, which combined art, science, and entrepreneurship, had a lasting impact on her work.

Julianna Kupcsok, Sára Lamina, and Elza Molnár write about the EMMA Association, which has been supporting Roma refugee women from Ukraine in sexual and reproductive health (SRH) for two years. The women receive psychosocial support and assistance in accessing healthcare. A qualitative study with 21 women shows that, in addition to SRH, issues such as housing, livelihood, and future plans were addressed. All interviewees had a trusting relationship with the EMMA staff.

The article by Ana Clara Solon Rufino and Rosângela Araújo Darwich presents a unique narrative about Amazonian culture from the photographic perspective of Bruno Carachesti. The analysis of the photographs is based on the theories of Barthes, Joly, and Peres. The findings show that the photographs are authentic representations of the Amazon region, conveying social events and the deeper meaning of artifacts through their sensitivity. Photography, when understood in the context of socio-cultural history, can objectively reflect reality.

Cristian C. Giraldo, Claudia Patricia Ariza Fontecha, and Laura Elianeth Jiménez Grijalba argue that universities must protect their communities from gender-based violence (GBV), yet existing measures are often insufficient. A case study at the Institución Universitaria Politécnico Grancolombiano (IUPGC) shows that GBV is linked to issues such as religion, politics, power, and the consumption of psychoactive substances. Physical violence is most prominent, but emotional harm is also noted. Institutional responses



are few, and revictimization can arise through certain terms and actions. The study emphasizes the critical role of universities in preventing and supporting GBV.

The study "Gestalt Handling in the Treatment of Gender Violence: Rebuilding Self-Support and Awareness" by Erica Farias examines the use of Gestalt therapy in treating gender-based violence and how this therapy can expand awareness and strengthen self-support in vulnerable patients. From a qualitative and descriptive perspective, the clinical experience at the Psychology School Clinic of the University of Amazonia is explored. The goal of the study is to demonstrate how Gestalt therapy, with its focus on the "here and now," creates a safe therapeutic environment where women who have experienced violence can recognize and redefine their emotional and psychological needs. The discussion highlights the importance of targeted interventions aimed at restoring autonomy and identity, enabling women to become empowered and resilient.

The related review by Cinthya Souza Simas emphasizes creating a safe space for survivors, promoting self-awareness, and the importance of intersectionality. However, the study is limited by a small sample size and the lack of methodological details, meaning its generalizability is restricted. A larger sample and quantitative data could strengthen the research.

We wish all readers an enjoyable read!

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