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BACKGROUND TO GEOPATHIC STRESS

There has been many different streams of research and bodies of knowledge from different cultural traditions that have contributed to our understanding of Geopathic Stress and how that effects our lives... here is some of the history.

From the Chinese

Chinese Emperor Kuang Yu (2205-2197 BC) proclaimed an edict, effective to this day, which reads: “No dwelling shall be built until the earth diviners have confirmed the intended building site to be free of earth demons.”

Chen Su Xiao (d.1332 AD): “In the subterranean regions there are alternate layers of earth and rock and flowing spring waters. These strata rest upon thousands of vapours which are distributed in tens of thousands of branches, veins and threadlike openings...The body of the earth is like that of a human being...Ordinary people, not being able to see the veins and vessels which are disposed in order within the body of man, think that it is no more than a lump of solid flesh. Likewise, not being able to see the veins and vessels which are disposed in order under the ground, they think that the earth is just an homogeneous mass”.

Christopher Bird, THE DIVINING HAND, 1979: “It was believed by the ancient Chinese that water flowed in subterranean courses called ‘veins of the Dragon’ (Lung Mai). Passing to and fro out of sight, the hidden veins of water served, like the bloodstream of animals, to remove impurities from the body of the earth... and to deposit curative minerals within it. The earth’s circulatory system was matched by an ever-undulating network of currents in the atmosphere. The currents, running through Mai or channels, carried the Qi or vapours”

Knowledge of the mysterious underground energies and the ability to dowse their precise location is as integral to the **Chinese Feng Shui and Indian Vastu Shastra traditions** as it is to other geomantic traditions of the world. The personification of the telluric currents of the hydro-logical cycle as the consciousness of the subterranean Dragon, Serpent, or Crocodile spirit is a

global image. Whether named Lung (Dragon, China), Naga (Water Serpent Spirit, India), Nak (subterranean Crocodile Spirit, Borneo), Wyvern (Dragon-Worm, Britain) or Wonambi (Rainbow Serpent Spirit, Pitjatjantjara and Yankunyjatjara, central Australia) these beings are variously respected, feared, appeased, tamed and honoured the world over.

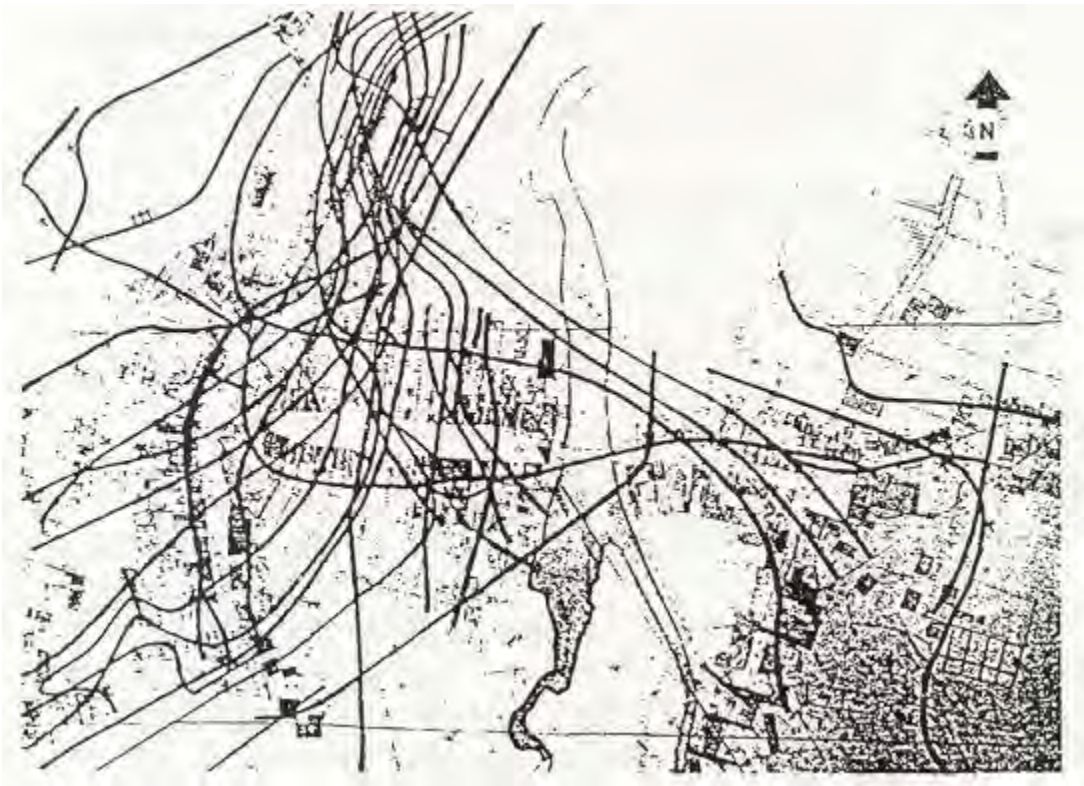
The aim of Feng Shui is to seek the healthy Qi (Sheng Qi) and avoid the unhealthy Qi (Sha Qi). As the Ming Dynasty (1368-1644) text “Shui Peng Ba Zhen Fa” or “The Eight Needles of The Water Compass Method” reveals, classical Chinese understanding of the nature of the **unhealthy Qi that rises from within the earth** accords closely with the modern western dowsing tradition’s knowledge of the dangers of **Geopathic stress**. The text presents a protocol for divining the presence of a number of potential underground dangers, including underground streams and cavities, geological faults, mineral deposits, old wells, tombs and coffins, ant-holes, and abattoir and battlefield sites. “ Di Qi (Earth Qi) comes from the earth and moves upwards. If it is too strong it is not good to build above. If there is none at all maybe there is too much metal or hard rock, nothing will grow and this is also bad”.

The water compass needle method was superseded by the dry compass needle, which was invented during the Ming Dynasty. Since that time the dipping and trembling movements, as opposed to the rotation, of the delicately balanced needle in the central Heaven Pool of the Luo Pan have been used to divine the nature of the underground Qi of a site. The vertical movements of the Heaven Pool needle are thus used in the same way in Feng Shui as are divining rods and pendulum in the Western geomantic traditions.

Modern Research

George Lakhovsky coined the term ‘**Geopathy**, and first suggested in the 1930s that **geopathic stress causes the human body to vibrate at much higher frequencies than normal**, and can affect the immune system, making people sleeping or working in geopathically stressed locations more susceptible to viruses, bacteria, parasites, and environmental pollution.

The German dowser, Baron von Pohl, was asked to dowse the small town of **Vilsbiburg** in 1929, having then the highest per capita cancer death rate in Bavaria. He discovered a 100 per cent correlation between the beds of cancer victims and the paths of Sha streams passing through the town. He repeated the procedure in **Grafenau** in 1930, with the lowest cancer incidence in the province, and again found a 100 per cent correlation. **He developed a scale to rate Geopathic stress of 1 to 16, where a combined tally of 9 or above from streams crossing gives rise to cancer.**



Baron Gustav Freiherr von Pohl's map of Vilsbiburg.

He repeated the exercise in the City of Stetten, with the result that Dr. Harger, chairman of the city's medical scientific association, declared that the **'deadly earth currents'** ran beneath the beds of all the 5,348 people who had died from cancer during the last 21 years.

This inspired some scientists and medical engineers to probe into the matter more deeply, and the term **Geobiology** was adopted by some German dowsers to represent the study of the relationship between life and the Earth's physical

and chemical environment. 'Geobiologists' specialise in surveying houses for both geopathic and electromagnetic stress using both dowsing and scientific instruments.

Cancer Houses

In the 1930s the French engineer Pierre Cody of Le Havre knew of local 'cancer houses' in the port where many people had died from cancer over the years. He decided to investigate the matter using a gold leaf electroscope. After checking large numbers of these dwellings, Cody concluded that the air in these 'Cancer Houses' was ionized to an unusual degree. From various other tests Cody concluded that the ionization radiation consisted of positively charged Alpha Particles. The only known source of alpha particle emission in dwellings was from the radioactive gas Radon. (The National Radiological Protection Board (NRPB) estimates that out of 50,000 lung cancer deaths a year in Great Britain, Radon gas is responsible for about 2,500 cases.) Cody's early research seemed to backup Baron Von Pohl's findings that noxious vapours/energy from underground water-bearing fissures were responsible for many of the cases of cancer.

In the 1950's the idea was again explored by the German scientist Dr. Joseph Würst, and the German engineer and dowser Jakob Stängle. Dr Würst conducted experiments in the rooms of cancer patients in several German towns, and found unusual amounts of gamma radiation in the houses he surveyed using a Geiger-counter. Stängle, who had a very good reputation for locating water bearing fissures in crystalline rock with his dowsing rod, developed a scintillation counter more sensitive and accurate than a Geiger counter and carried out a scientific survey in the French town of Moulins where a local physician, Dr. J Prichard claimed that cancer victims in the town dwelt above geological faults. Whilst Würst and Stängle thought that gamma radiation from fissures could be a significant cause of cancer, more recent studies suggest that this is unlikely as gamma radiation tends to pass straight through the body rather than causing direct hits on DNA. The culprit is thought to be the more pernicious alpha radiation from Radon, which is found with high levels of gamma radiation. Research in this field continues with an increasing number of sophisticated

environmental measuring instruments coming on the market to aid the geobiologist in identifying causative factors to illness and disease.

“Disease is a problem of location”

Dr. Hartmann M.D. researched the effects of earth rays on humans for over thirty years, and his experiences led him to produce a **six hundred page report** [‘Krankheit als Standort-problem,’ Heidelberg: K.F.Haug-Verlag] stating that disease was a problem of location. He found that one of the first things to be adversely effected was the immune system, and as a result of this, individuals placed above an area of geopathic disturbance soon lost the ability to defend themselves against harmful bacteria that previously they were able to withstand. There was also a clear link with cancer in people that slept or worked above a Hartmann crossing point for lengthy periods of time. Dr. Hartmann stated that in 30 yeas of practice, he has not come across a patient with cancer or otherwise seriously ill - with the exception of disease caused by bacteria or virus infections - who has not slept or stayed for long periods in geopathically stressed places.

Dr. Otto Bergsmann

In 1989 Dr Hartmann's theory was tested by a group of researches in Austria who completed a two-year study on the short-term consequences of human association with pathogenic sites. Some 985 people were tested and many measurements were recorded from 6,943 individual tests. Dr. Otto Bergsmann, internal medicine professor at the University of Vienna headed the working party. This study produced a 158 page report giving details of changes in the serum values of Serotonin, Zinc and Calcium after being exposed to these noxious fields for a period of ten minuets. There were also **many other altered states to biological functions** noted as a result of short term exposure to these forces.

The research was conducted by a team of distinguished professors, doctors, engineers, scientists and dowers. To test this hypothesis the research team used the services of three dowers known for their expertise in locating earth energies. They were enlisted to independently dowse eight different locations and submit reports and diagrams of the strongest ‘Disturbed Zones’ (Geopathic Zones) found, together with a ‘Neutral Zone’ at the same location to enable

them to carry out double blind experiments with volunteers at each selected location. The dowzers found that **the greatest pathogenic influences** came from the movement of underground streams, Hartmann/ Curry global grid lines and geological fault lines. In order to rule out possible influences of man made electromagnetic or microwave disturbances at each location an independent report from an electro-mechanical engineer was requested for each chosen site.

The medical-biological Investigations at both the 'Disturbed Zones' and the 'Neutral Zones' were standardized:

Investigations after 15 minutes stay on Neutral Zone.

Investigations after 15 minutes stay on the 'Disturbed Zone'.

Investigations again after a further 15 minute stay on a Neutral Zone.

At present, **these 'Disturbed Zones' can only be indicated by dowzers**, with its presence being then verified with scientific instrumentation. Technology does not yet exist to do this the other way round; **the dowser does not yet appear to be replaceable with scientific instrumentation.**

Volunteers were sought to participate in these experiments. As a rule clinically healthy subjects between the ages of 20-35 years were screened. A number of these were rejected when illnesses **(circulation interference and infections)** were discovered. Other participants were also used from the Outpatient's Department for Physical Therapy in the Rehabilitation Centre, Grobming and from the Surgery of Dr. Korinek. The research program was carried out between September 1987 and December 1988. None of the volunteers used were given information about the relative 'Disturbed Zones' and 'Neutral Zones'

Research Results

The project involved the testing of 24 different biological parameters involving 985 trial volunteers in 6,943 investigations using 462, 421 individual measurements.

The test results were lined up by Biometric Significance and are valued with

Serotonin alteration, Blood Corpuscle Decline Speed and Immunoglobulin deficiencies in lead position.

Serotonin decreased by a factor of 6 on the 'Disturbed Zone' whilst increasing its metabolism to advance **Tryptophan** in compensation. This reaction was highly significant.

The three Immunoglobulins that were examined; IgA, IgG, and IgM showed clear reactions on the geopathic zones. Immunoglobulin IgA showing the highest significant drop. These values later normalized when latter blood samples were analyzed when the subjects were tested on the 'neutral zone'.

Blood Sedimentation Speed: Blood corpuscle decline speed slowed down whilst on the 'Disturbed Zone'

Conclusion of Vienna Report

The 'Location Load Effect' of the 'Disturbed Zone' on regulatory systems of the human organism is proved without doubt and raises the question of which substratum, subsystem or system the location dependant powers primarily attack. The research team concluded that there was no evidence to relate 'Disturbed Zones' to a specific illness but should be rather determined as a **risk factor that can reinforce the effect of different pathogenic factors.** 'Geopathic Stress' as a result of spending time above a 'Disturbed Zone' belongs to **other similar risk factors** such as Environmental Chemicals, Poisons & Pollutants, Malnutrition/Diet, Recreational Drugs, Alcohol, Psycho-social Stresses, Genetic Weaknesses, Electromagnetic Pollution. The term '**Location Load**' is **synonymous to 'Geopathic Stress'** which more generally describes the phenomenon in both Great Britain and the United States. This group has now linked with two universities in Austria studying the effects of disturbed zones on the immune system. Indications thus far support the findings of Dr. Ernst Hartmann who claimed that **the protective role of the immune system was undermined when immersed in emissions of detrimental earth radiation.**

Dr. Veronika Carstens Findings

In 1985 Dr. Veronika Carstens, wife of former German Federal President Karl Carstens, published a study stating that there were 700 cases documented worldwide where terminal cancer patients had regained their health without any conventional treatment after their sleeping area had been moved from a geopathic stress zone to one in which there was no detectable geopathic stress.

Barbara Tombarkiewicz Investigates the Effect on Cows

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A doctoral thesis written by Barbara Tombarkiewicz under the supervision of Prof. Tomasz M Janowski concerning zones of geomagnetic field disturbances (magnetic anomalies) in Poland and the health of 309 cows kept in cow stalls in a building measuring 91 x 24 meters in area. Cows kept in three of these stalls suffered ill health problems over and above a ratio that might be normally expected. The problem was initially resolved by moving these unhealthy cows to other cow stalls in the complex where they recovered. However the healthy cows that were placed in these three cow stalls soon succumbed to ill health problems. It was decided to take measurements of the Earth's geomagnetic fields in these cow stalls to see if the three pathogenic sites were caused by anomalies in the local geomagnetic field strength. The three cow stalls that were connect to ill health problems had magnetic anomalies exceeded 34.000nT (nano Tesla).

Hair and Blood Analysis showed that animals that stayed in the geopathogenic stalls showed lower counts of trace elements such as Aluminum, Zinc, Copper and low Iron counts.

One of the many factors behind incorrect iron balance is Cadmium. It accumulates in the body and combines permanently with tissues, and inhibits activity of some enzymes. It is teratogenic, carcinogenic, and is among the most toxic of metals. The report concluded that the micro element disorders in the animals staying in the geopathic stalls was the primary cause of the many diseases and even death of the organism. Blood tests especially leukocyte count

and the amount of toxic metal found in hair analysis were also indications that the animals were suffering from the detrimental affects of long term exposure to these geopathogenic sites.

A disturbed geomagnetic field alters, among other things, the evolution-shaped permeability of cell membranes and the magnetic orientation of microelements. This can affect the whole plant or animal organism and thus the physiological status of the organism, the central nervous system and neuro-psychical phenomena. The influence of a disturbed geomagnetic field on the living organism is slow and cumulative in time and can cause dysfunction of the organism, but after it stops the dysfunction can regress. After several months the healthy cows were moved in to the geopathogenic stalls and were observed to undergo a reverse process as their hair turned gray, matted, and became poorly rooted in the skin.

Revolution in Technology Medicine and Society

Dr Hans Nieper, a widely respected cancer specialist, says in his book, "Revolution in Technology Medicine and Society" : "According to studies I have initiated, at least 92% of all the cancer patients I have examined have remained for long periods of time, especially in respect of their sleeping place, in geopathically stressed zones." Cancer as a disease of location has now become widely accepted among cancer specialists in Germany and other European countries. On the advice of geobiologists patients regularly move their beds to safer positions where necessary. These investigations have also spread to other serious illnesses that have also been associated with these geopathic zones and many doctors and cancer specialists use the services of geobiologists to survey the houses of their patients.

Dr. Paul G. Seeger, Former Chief of Cancer Research, Charite` Hospital, Berlin, Germany said "No serious-minded criticism, be it ever so prejudiced, can afford to ignore proofs of the existence of pathogenic telluric influences. Hundreds of cancer institutes all over the world have spent billions without having found any convincing proof of cancer's cause. Why has it not been possible to spend a few million of that huge sum for a thorough investigation of telluric radiation

as a prime cause of cancer in human beings. Why has this newly discovered continent of knowledge not been applied to cancer prevention?”

CONCLUSION

How many lives could have been saved, how much suffering could have been avoided if the understanding of the importance of the influence of geopathic stress upon life on Earth was more widely recognized?

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