

# Balancing Dynamic Tensions: Pathology in apithological systems

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**ABSTRACT** – This paper progresses the analysis of apithological systems by examining the dynamic tensions within each of the four aspects of apithology. Identified within each of the four aspects are four distinct configurations of two different tensions. The balances in these resultant forces provide each aspect with its own unique orientation. This assists an understanding of the causative dynamics of the formation of conceptions. An explanation of the characteristics of the conjunction of these dynamics is provided to illustrate their resultant effects and potentials. The respective benefits resulting from the balances in these tensions leads into a discussion of the effects of their imbalance in the four orientations. In this analysis we identify the potential for different characteristics of varying degrees of pathology within all four aspects using an apithological systems analysis.

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## INTRODUCTION

A common intention within the field of apithology is that by this work we may expand the inquiry into the potential for health and wellbeing generated in human social systems. The four aspects of health can be used to see the potential for balance equally in the four contributing domains by their complementary integration. One potential misconception of the apithological discipline would be uses that simply replace one paradigm bias with another. By using the four aspects (which are often known by their signifiers) being: pathology (p.), antipathology (p+), apathology (a\_) and apithology (a^) skillfully, improved definition

can occur in discussions around different conceptions of health and health outcomes. Such dialogues have the potential to contribute greatly to our fields of health inquiry. To understand these domains with greater clarity it may also be helpful to understand the inherent tensions and the causes of different expressions within the four major orientations.

## THE TENSIONS IN THE FOUR ASPECTS

Apithology is a discipline that looks to identify resultant phenomenon. It is concerned less with 'existent things' and more with their causative dynamics looking primarily to their resultant potentials as impermanent and transitory states. This examination of 'non-objects' can initially be disorientating. Any difficulty in this approach is easily resolved by not examining dynamic states as if they were static occurrences, instead seeking to disclose the nature of the phenomenon occurring by looking at its causative dynamics as simply generating temporary qualities. While the object of intention in the inquiry might be a resultant state desired to be attained (e.g. health, happiness and wellbeing) the object of focus is the non-existent dynamic tensions that lead to that enduring (but impermanent) state. This inquiry is done in increasing orders of complexity and differentiation in different structures of conceptual integrity with the intention of having the investigations eventually occur at the societal or humanitarian level. While apithology is concerned primarily with identifying the dynamics of generative structures, it asks that (Article Continues ...)