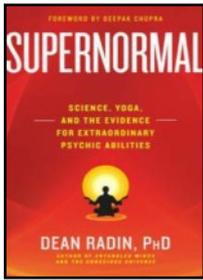


# Conscious spirituality in search of truth...



## **DEAN RADIN: SUPERNORMAL**

Dean Radin is the chief scientist for the Institute of Noetic Sciences, IONS, which in practice extensively researches a wide range of consciousness, science, health fields, and human development-related topic fields. In Radin's brilliant book "Supernormal" published in 2013, he outlines the evidence for science, yoga, and extraordinary psychic abilities by making a scientific interconnection between these topic areas.

Among Radin's other publications is "The Conscious Universe" which broadens the scope from academic materialist science. Both books are written in a language that non-academics like myself can readily absorb. Two extracts from "Supernormal" that provide a rich insight into Radin's work in the area of 'consciousness,' which I first read when opening the book randomly in 2013. The second extract is drawn from 'inner and outer space, both selections provide a meaning for an interconnectedness existing between above fields.' In context, both selections provide seekers of Truth in readable language suitable for non-science based readers.

—Philip Crouch, Tasmania, 2020

## **DEAN RADIN: SUPERNORMAL 'CONSCIOUSNESS AS GLUE'**

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'Max Planck, the originator of quantum theory, once said in an interview, "I regard consciousness as fundamental. I regard matter as derivative from consciousness. We cannot get behind consciousness. Everything that we talk about, everything that we regard as existing, postulates consciousness." And Wolfgang Pauli, considered a towering genius by the other developers of quantum theory, note:" It is my personal opinion that in the science of the future reality will neither be 'psychic' nor 'physical' but somehow both and somehow neither."

A more recent contributor to this line of thinking is Stanford University physicist Andrei Linde, originator of the inflationary theory of cosmology, a leading contender for explaining how the Big Bang evolved into the universe we observe today. Linde points out, as have many others, that while physics is the study of the objective universe, it is only known the subjective, our consciousness. This is so obvious that it is easily overlooked, and the omission leads many to the belief that consciousness is just another aspect of the inanimate matter that constitutes the rest of the universe.

This defies objectivity and it becomes difficult to imagine how things could be otherwise. But it may be mistake in the same sense that previous generations of physicists once thought that space and time were absolutes, or that matter and energy were obviously different. Linde speculates:

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“Is it possible that consciousness, like space-time, has its own intrinsic degrees of freedom, and that neglecting these will lead to a description of the universe that is fundamentally incomplete? What if our perceptions are as real [as] (or maybe, in a certain sense, are even more real) than material objects?”

In discussing this possibility, Buddhist scholar and physicist Alan Wallace points out that gravitational waves interact with matter so weakly that persuasive evidence that they even exist has yet to be found. But their existence is essential to uphold prevailing physical models of the fundamental particles. Wallace speculates: “Perhaps consciousness plays an equally important role in nature, despite the fact that it has been ignored until now in understanding well-studied physical processes in the brain and elsewhere”(p.31).

That is, could consciousness be a fundamental force in the universe that binds and shapes how the universe manifests? Like gravity, in the small scale it’s too weak to be noticed, it simmers in the “background,” it’s too alien to our ordinary way of viewing the objective world to be able to detect. But it might be the glue that holds everything together and creates something rather than nothing.

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**DEAN RADIN: ‘WHERE INNER AND OUTER SPACE MEET’**

Reality built out of imagination, which in turn is a manifestation of a primordial “substance” that is both mind and matter? It sounds like a science fiction. But there is evidence that this may be so, and if true it might explain a number of persistent puzzles, from legends of the siddhis, to psi in life and the laboratory, and even, as unlikely as it may seem, to “unidentified flying objects” (UFOs).

Historical analyses of UFO cases, such as those recited in Richard Dolan’s comprehensive books, *UFOs and the National Security State* and *The Cover-Up Exposed*, leave little doubt that something peculiar has been going on in the skies (and occasionally in the oceans) for many years, and that no one seems to have a clear idea about what *it* is. Some of the unexplained cases may be due to secret tests of aircraft or spacecraft, but that doesn’t fully explain the mystery because objects displaying outrageous flying manoeuvres were reported long before we (humans at least) had aircraft.

Whatever is happening, the discomfort is heightened when we consider the UFO’s enigmatic cousins: crop circles, animal mutilations, men in black, purported alien abductions, and so on.



Some reports of these phenomena are undoubtedly hoaxes. But all of them? The same has been claimed by about psi phenomena, and scientific tests now tell us that such facile dismissals are invalid. It leads us to the conclusion that *some of these enigmas might be real.*

Here's where the phenomenological complex begins to bear resemblance to otherworldly experiences reported in yogic, shamanic, psychedelic, mystical, and psychic states and to folklore, mythology, and religious lore. Could these apparently disparate phenomena, many of which have been tossed into the "paranormal" wastebasket, be considered in some way?



**Suggested resources:**

Supernormal, Dean Radin, 2013, ISBN 13 9780307986900

<https://www.bookdepository.com/Supernormal/9780307986900>

<http://www.deanradin.com/NewWeb/deanradin.html>

Conscious Universe, Dean Radin, 2011, ISBN 13 9780061778995

<https://www.bookdepository.com/The-Conscious-Universe/9780061778995>

Institute of Noetic Sciences, IONS,

<http://www.noetic.org/education/ca/details/>

Max Planck, Physicist, *Quantum Physics*,

<https://www.nobelprize.org/prizes/physics/1918/planck/biographical/>

Wolfgang Pauli, Physicist, Exclusion principle, Quantum Physics

[https://www.physicsoftheuniverse.com/scientists\\_pauli.html](https://www.physicsoftheuniverse.com/scientists_pauli.html)

Richard Dolan, Author, UFOs and more

<https://richarddolanmembers.com/>

Rupert Sheldrake

<https://www.sheldrake.org/>

