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This issue sees a very good selection of full peer-reviewed papers. Kirsten Dierolf's [Visualising Solution Focused Practice](#) is a review of graphic representations over the past twenty years and more. Unusually Solution Focus (SF) has no 'official' image, and so there is a lot to be learned from this extensive and critical examination. [Marcos Perez Lamadrid, Freddy Ponce and Adam Froerer's paper](#) comparing oxygenation and heart rate in solution focused and problem focused interviews has been in the works for some time, and I am delighted that we can finally publish it. While the setting (indigenous communities in the Bolivian highlands) may appear exotic, there is a lot to be gleaned from this physiology-meets-language research.

Nick Perry, Kelly Alexander and Jill Hemmington's paper [Putting The Hope Back In](#) looks at experience in the UK from training Approved Mental Health Professionals (AMHPs) in SF practice, to the benefit of clients and practitioners. This high-profile study, supported by the Department of Health & Social Care, show SF work reaching further into the health service machinery. Wouter Decock presents a [case study from a 360-degree SF supervision process in a higher education setting](#). He coins the term 'mitchification' for moments when the supervisee leaves feeling expanded rather than reduced.

Kirandeep Ghataorhe Johnson, Fiona Robinson and Rose McCabe present an important [literature review of SF practice in schools, delivered by teachers, school staff and student peers](#). This study aimed to systematically review the evidence for solution focused practice delivered in schools by non-specialist school staff and student peers. The results are positive, with potential benefits for improving classroom relationships and behaviour.

In their opinion piece [Does a Solution Focused Approach change our brain?](#) Susan Colmar and Dion Sing from Australia manage to steer a constructive and subtle path through the treacherous territory of brain, mind and body. There are many possible pitfalls when writing in this area, and this paper is a good example of how to steer around them. We also have our usual [Pick of the \(Other\) Papers](#), where the editors have selected seven papers published

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elsewhere which are well worth your attention. There are over a dozen papers in peer-review for JSFP, so we hope to have another good crop in the next issue.

With three more book reviews and two more [JSFP Live](#) sessions (with Dominik Godat and Elfie Czerny, and with Nick Drury), a [full German translation of Godat and Czerny's leadership microanalysis paper](#) and more translated abstracts, the journal continues to grow. The editors are also seeking listing of the journal with various abstracting services and directories, including [EBSCO](#) and the [Directory of Open Access Journals \(DOAJ\)](#). This will make the journal, its contents and authors more visible in the online scholarship world. Our cover colour this issue reflects Steve de Shazer's 1988 book *Clues: Investigating Solutions in Brief Therapy*, widely seen as the first book about SF brief therapy.

Finally, news has come in of the death of Rod Sherwin after a long illness at the age of just 55 years. Rod was a long-standing member of the SOLWorld community as well as the Australasian SF Association and contributed two book reviews to the journal. Rod, we remember you.

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