Some Observations on the Psychodynamics of Race, Caste, Class, and Ethnic Differences In the Analytic Dyad

Annie Lee Jones explores the shifting meanings of racialized experiences in the psychoanalytic dyad as differences along the lines of caste, class, race, and ethnicity emerge in the treatment. These differences are not just between people of different races—there are caste, class, and ethnic variations within the blackness or whiteness of analyst and analysand—and they are often projected or denied, providing rich material for exploration. Their complexity affects the transference-countertransference matrix in multiple ways.

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES: Participants will be able to (1) describe some of the unmarked ways whiteness shapes our relationships and (2) identify some of the dimensions of caste, class, race, and ethnicity that influence the psychoanalytic process.

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