

Contents

Foreword	xiii
List of contributors	xvii
Introduction	1
<i>Andrew Moskowitz, Ingo Schäfer and Martin J. Dorahy</i>	
PART 1 Connecting trauma and dissociation to psychosis: Historical and theoretical perspectives	7
1 Historical conceptions of dissociation and psychosis: Nineteenth and early twentieth century perspectives on severe psychopathology	9
<i>Warwick Middleton, Martin J. Dorahy and Andrew Moskowitz</i>	
1.1 Dissociation: Mesmerism, multiple personalities and hysteria	10
1.2 Psychosis: Insanity, dementia praecox and schizophrenia	12
1.3 Dissociation, psychosis and schizophrenia: The merging of constructs	15
1.4 Conclusion	17
References	18
2 Hysterical psychosis: A historical review and empirical evaluation	21
<i>Eliezer Witztum and Onno van der Hart</i>	
2.1 Early literature on hysterical psychosis	22
2.2 Hysterical psychosis in Pierre Janet's dissociation theory	22
2.3 The decline of hysteria	24
2.4 The return of the diagnosis of hysterical psychosis	25
2.5 Systematic and empirical studies	27
2.6 Hysterical psychosis and reactive psychosis	28
2.7 Integration and concluding remarks	29
References	30

3 Association and dissociation in the historical concept of schizophrenia	35
<i>Andrew Moskowitz</i>	
3.1 The birth of schizophrenia	37
3.2 Splitting, dissociation and the unconscious	39
3.3 Complexes and fixed ideas	41
3.4 Loosening of associations	43
3.5 Summary and conclusions	45
References	47
4 Ego-fragmentation in schizophrenia: A severe dissociation of self-experience	51
<i>Christian Scharfetter</i>	
4.1 Schizophrenic syndromes as self-disorders	52
4.2 The construct of ego-pathology	52
4.3 Clinical elaboration of ego-pathology	53
4.4 Empirical assessment of ego-pathology	57
4.5 Ego-fragmentation, association and the dissociation model	59
4.6 Dissociative mechanisms: What and where?	60
4.7 The continuum of dissociative mechanisms: The spectrum of dissociation	62
References	64
5 Delusional atmosphere, the psychotic prodrome and decontextualized memories	65
<i>Andrew Moskowitz, Lynn Nadel, Peter Watts and W. Jake Jacobs</i>	
5.1 Multiple memory systems and the hippocampus	66
5.2 Phobias, panic attacks and post-traumatic stress disorder	67
5.3 A summary of relevant research findings in schizophrenia	68
5.4 The psychotic prodrome	70
5.5 Delusional atmosphere, the psychotic prodrome and decontextualized memories	74
5.6 Freud's 'The Uncanny' (1919)	75
5.7 Summary and conclusion	75
References	76
6 The complex overlap between dissociation and schizotypy	79
<i>Timo Giesbrecht and Harald Merckelbach</i>	
6.1 Introduction	79
6.2 Overlap between measures of dissociation and schizotypy	80
6.3 Why dissociation and schizotypy overlap	81
6.4 Conclusion	85
References	86
7 Pierre Janet on hallucinations, paranoia and schizophrenia	91
<i>Andrew Moskowitz, Gerhard Heim, Isabelle Saillot and Vanessa Beavan</i>	
7.1 Historical overview	92
7.2 Important Janetian concepts	93
7.3 Schizophrenia	95

CONTENTS

vii

7.4	Paranoia	97
7.5	Hallucinations	98
	References	102
8	From hysteria to chronic relational trauma disorder: The history of borderline personality disorder and its links with dissociation and psychosis	105
	<i>Elizabeth Howell</i>	
8.1	Historical overview	106
8.2	Theoretical analysis	109
8.3	Summary	113
	References	113
9	An attachment perspective on schizophrenia: The role of disorganized attachment, dissociation and mentalization	117
	<i>Giovanni Liotti and Andrew Gumley</i>	
9.1	Attachment disorganization and dissociation	118
9.2	Trauma and loss in the lives of primary caregivers of psychiatric patients	120
9.3	Dissociation, schizotypy and psychotic experiences	122
9.4	Metacognition and mentalization deficits	124
9.5	Summary and theoretical integration	126
9.6	Concluding remarks	127
	References	128
PART 2	Comparing psychotic and dissociative disorders: Research and clinical perspectives	135
10	Childhood trauma in psychotic and dissociative disorders	137
	<i>Ingo Schäfer, Colin A. Ross and John Read</i>	
10.1	Childhood trauma in patients with psychotic disorders	138
10.2	Childhood trauma in patients with dissociative disorders	141
10.3	The relationship between dissociation and psychosis	142
	References	144
11	Dissociative symptoms in schizophrenia	151
	<i>Ingo Schäfer, Volkmar Aderhold, Harald J. Freyberger and Carsten Spitzer</i>	
11.1	Empirical studies on dissociation in patients diagnosed with schizophrenia	153
11.2	Dissociation and psychosis – what is the relationship?	158
11.3	Conclusion	160
	References	160
12	Psychotic symptoms in complex dissociative disorders	165
	<i>Vedat Şar and Erdiñç Öztürk</i>	
12.1	Hallucinations	166
12.2	Grossly disorganized behaviour	167

12.3	Impairment in reality-testing: Trance-logic or psychotic breakdown?	168
12.4	Conditions mimicking formal thought disorder	169
12.5	Schneiderian symptoms: Are they nonspecific?	169
12.6	Psychopathogenesis of psychotic symptoms in dissociative disorders	170
12.7	An interaction (duality) model	171
12.8	Conclusions and recommendations for future research	172
	References	173
13	Advances in assessment: The differential diagnosis of dissociative identity disorder and schizophrenia	177
	<i>Marlene Steinberg and Harold D. Siegel</i>	
13.1	Dissociative identity disorder and schizophrenia: Overlapping and diagnostically distinct symptoms	178
13.2	Distinguishing between schizophrenia and dissociative identity disorder: Assessment of dissociation	181
13.3	Clinical implications	185
	References	186
14	Cognitive perspectives on dissociation and psychosis: Differences in the processing of threat?	191
	<i>Martin J. Dorahy and Melissa J. Green</i>	
14.1	Trauma and threat in dissociative and psychotic individuals	192
14.2	Attention and working memory	194
14.3	Conclusion	201
	References	202
15	Depersonalization disorder and schizotypal personality disorder	209
	<i>Daphne Simeon and Holly K. Hamilton</i>	
15.1	Phenomenology of depersonalization and schizotypy	210
15.2	Neurocognitive profiles of depersonalization and schizotypy	211
15.3	Neurobiology of depersonalization and schizotypy	212
15.4	Clinical vignettes	215
15.5	Conclusion	216
	References	217
16	Contributions of traumatic stress studies to the neurobiology of dissociation and dissociative disorders: Implications for schizophrenia	221
	<i>Eric Vermetten, Ruth Lanius and J. Douglas Bremner</i>	
16.1	Introduction	221
16.2	Differentiation of abnormal thought processes in dissociative disorders and schizophrenia – vignettes	222
16.3	Schizophrenia research: From psychosocial events to traumatic stress	223
16.4	Effects of traumatic stress on psychobiological systems	224
16.5	Pharmacologically induced dissociation	226
16.6	Neurotransmitters in dissociation and psychosis	227
16.7	Different neural circuits in schizophrenia and dissociative disorders	228

CONTENTS

ix

16.8 Heterogeneity of trauma response: Neural circuits in dissociative disorders and other trauma-related disorders	230
16.9 Vulnerable phenotypes	231
16.10 Concluding remarks	232
References	233
17 Treating dissociative and psychotic disorders psychodynamically	239
<i>Valerie Sinason and Ann-Louise S. Silver</i>	
17.1 Historical background	240
17.2 Clinical vignettes	242
17.3 Treating dissociative states	248
17.4 The role of trauma in creating psychopathology	249
17.5 Conclusion	251
References	251
PART 3 Assessing and treating hybrid and boundary conditions: Clinical and existential perspectives	255
18 Dissociative psychosis: Clinical and theoretical aspects	257
<i>Onno van der Hart and Eliezer Witztum</i>	
18.1 Dissociative psychosis and Pierre Janet's dissociation theory	258
18.2 Dissociative psychosis and the theory of structural dissociation of personality	259
18.3 Discussion and conclusion	267
References	268
19 Trauma-based dissociative hallucinosis: Diagnosis and treatment	271
<i>Barry Nurcombe, James G. Scott and Mary E. Jessop</i>	
19.1 Psychotic symptoms in post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and complex PTSD	272
19.2 Hallucinations in children and adolescents	272
19.3 Clinical vignettes	274
19.4 Dissociative hallucinosis	275
19.5 The treatment of dissociative hallucinosis	276
19.6 Conclusion	277
References	278
20 Dissociative schizophrenia	281
<i>Colin A. Ross</i>	
20.1 A dissociative structural model of the psyche	283
20.2 The dissociative subtype of schizophrenia	287
20.3 A clinical case example of dissociative schizophrenia	289
20.4 Research data supporting the existence of dissociative schizophrenia	292
20.5 Research and clinical implications of dissociative schizophrenia	293
References	293

21	The role of double binds, reality-testing and chronic relational trauma in the genesis and treatment of borderline personality disorder	295
	<i>Ruth A. Blizard</i>	
21.1	The effects of relational trauma on reality-testing	297
21.2	Caregiver pathology, double binds, disorganized attachment and dissociated self-states	298
21.3	Treating the effects of dissociative, psychotic or sociopathic caregivers on reality-testing	301
21.4	Conclusion: Borderline psychotic traits stemming from relational trauma require relational treatment	303
	References	304
22	Pharmacotherapy in the collaborative treatment of trauma-induced dissociation and psychosis	307
	<i>Thom Rudegeair and Susie Farrelly</i>	
22.1	A brief overview of psychopharmacologic philosophy	308
22.2	The complex presentation of people who dissociate	309
22.3	Overview of a 'good enough' medical approach to the treatment of dissociative/psychotic phenomena	310
22.4	Some specific recommendations for the use of psychotropic medications in the treatment of persons with dissociative symptoms	312
22.5	Summary	317
	References	318
23	Accepting and working with voices: The Maastricht approach	319
	<i>Dirk Corstens, Sandra Escher and Marius Romme</i>	
23.1	The history of the Maastricht approach and of the hearing voices movement	320
23.2	Relevant research findings	320
23.3	Assessment: The Maastricht hearing voices interview	321
23.4	Formulation: Making the construct/breaking the code	325
23.5	Case vignette: Maureen	327
23.6	Making a treatment plan	328
23.7	Talking with the voices	329
23.8	Recovery	330
23.9	Summary	331
	References	331
24	Dissociation, psychosis and spirituality: Whose voices are we hearing?	333
	<i>Patte Randal, Jim Geekie, Ingo Lambrecht and Melissa Taitimu</i>	
24.1	A cosmic battle: Patte's story	335
24.2	Maori perspectives	336
24.3	Shamanic crisis	337
24.4	A cosmic battle – Part 2	338
24.5	The subjugation of other cultural perspectives	339
24.6	Dissociation and psychosis as states of consciousness	340

CONTENTS

xi

24.7 A cosmic battle – Part 3	341
24.8 From victim to victor – a new model	342
24.9 Conclusion	343
References	343

Index	347
--------------	------------

