

Review of: "Signatures in mediumnic automatic writing - a pilot exploration of the resemblance with the deceased's handwriting"

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Potential competing interests: No potential competing interests to declare.

This is not a scientific paper:

- i) the hypothesis of "psychography" is unfalsifiable;
- ii) the number of handwriting samples is unrepresentative;
- iii) the "medium" held interviews with "proxies" prior to the experiment (hence it could have gained access to the samples of handwriting of the deceased people);
- iv) handwriting produced by the medium was not immediately collected by the authors, instead they would later receive images of the questioned handwriting from the "proxies";
- v) among the "proxies" were only male descendants of the deceased people. While these "proxies" share their last names with their parents, it is often observed that children, who were taught handwriting by their parents, possess handwriting habits highly similar to those of their parents;
- vi) the authors arbitrarily excluded "inadequate" questioned material;
- vii) the questioned signatures contain many characteristics indicative of forgery;
- viii) the questioned signatures contain characteristics indicative of the same writer;
- ix) the authors may try to explain the points vii and viii by claiming that there are conflicting habits present when the signatures are being forged, one of the "medium" and the other of the "spirit" of the deceased person. That would, however, further exemplify the unfalsifiability of their claims;
- x) it is far more probable that the "medium" could be an autistic savant, rather than, that it has access to "spirits" of the deceased people.