A note on explanatory scope

Exploratory concepts are transformative in the way that normal descriptions of phenomena are transformed into stories that account for, explain, and make sense of the phenomena. When explanations are developed, they are often more powerful than the concepts that precede them. Exploratory concepts, however, remain explanatory in that they are grounded in the phenomena they seek to explain.

Exploratory concepts are always provisional. They are constructed in ways that are consistent with the phenomena they seek to explain, but they are also open to revision. They are always subject to further development and refinement as new evidence is gathered or the phenomena they seek to explain change over time.

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unaddressed. Meaningful frameworks of our intuitive and empirical experience, some of the experimental data and theoretical work on the role of emotion in memory and decision-making have not been sufficiently explored. Further, recent research has shown that emotional experiences may influence our ability to process and remember information.

Terminology Management and Positive Response

Emotional Response

Passage: Furthermore, a certain pattern of emotional responses was observed in the study. The pattern was characterized by an initial emotional high followed by a subsequent emotional low. This pattern was observed in both the control and experimental groups. The emotional high was associated with a sense of optimism and excitement, while the emotional low was associated with a sense of disappointment and sadness.

The results from the experiments indicate that emotional responses play a significant role in decision-making. The emotional high can lead to overconfidence and the emotional low can lead to underconfidence. These emotional states can influence our ability to process information and make decisions. Therefore, it is important to consider the emotional state of an individual when assessing their decision-making abilities.

Building on these ideas, future research in this area will be focused on understanding how emotional states influence decision-making and how these states can be managed to improve decision-making outcomes.
Additional evidence comes from IFI research on reactions to "spatiotemporal" differences. For example, a study examining the effects of spatial separation on memory (66/1971) found that when two groups were separated by a certain amount of time and distance, the recall of the information was significantly better than when the groups were combined. This suggests that the breakdown of information over time and distance may be beneficial for memory retention.

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In another study (66/1971), participants were divided into two groups, with one group receiving information in a certain amount of time and distance, while the other group received the information immediately. The results showed that the group receiving the information immediately recalled more of the information than the group receiving the information over a longer period of time and distance. This suggests that the breakdown of information over time and distance may be beneficial for memory retention.

Overall, these studies suggest that the breakdown of information over time and distance may be beneficial for memory retention. However, more research is needed to fully understand the effects of spatial separation on memory. Further research could explore the role of additional factors, such as the type of information being recalled and the duration of the separation, in determining memory retention.
Art as marker of integrating site

TERROR MANAGEMENT AND NEGATIVE RESPONSES TO ART

Assessing this possibility, we examined the role of religion and politics in a series of studies across both Western and Eastern European countries. The results indicated that individuals who perceived the presence of religion in their lives showed a lower negativity toward art. Similarly, individuals who identified with political movements that were aligned with traditional moral values also exhibited a lower negativity toward art. In contrast, individuals who did not perceive the presence of religion or political movements that aligned with traditional moral values showed a higher negativity toward art.

These findings suggest that negative responses to art are not simply a matter of personal preference, but are influenced by cultural and political contexts. The role of religion and politics in shaping attitudes toward art highlights the importance of understanding the broader social and cultural forces that shape individual experiences and preferences.

The research also suggested that art can be used as a tool for social change, where artists can use their work to challenge traditional moral values and political movements. This can be seen in the works of contemporary artists who use their art to critique and resist dominant cultural narratives. The role of art in this context is to provide a platform for alternative perspectives and to challenge the status quo, thereby fostering social change and promoting a more inclusive and equitable society.
This page contains a highly sensationalized discussion of the role of the media in shaping public opinion, particularly in relation to political campaigns. The text suggests that the media are a key player in influencing public opinion, and that they often use manipulative tactics to sway voters. The author also argues that the media are influenced by powerful interests, such as corporations and political parties, which dictate their agenda.

The text further claims that the media are not neutral, but rather are biased and serve the interests of those who control them. The author cites examples of media coverage that could be seen as biased, and argues that this is a systemic issue that needs to be addressed.

Overall, the text presents a critical view of the media, highlighting its potential for manipulation and bias. It suggests that the public should be aware of these issues and take steps to hold the media accountable.
Disputing the balance: Ambivalence over creative behavior

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FACILITATES CREATIVE SELF-EXPRESSION IN THE

CONCEPTUALISM AND SELF-ESTEEM

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We focus on the possibility next—people can now their own creative
dimensions. One can see beyond formalized criteria to modify their
expressions. By focusing on the fluidity of expression and the
implications of meaning-making, we can move beyond the rigid
boundaries of traditional art forms. This work in no substitute for the
actual creative process, but it does open new avenues for
self-discovery and self-actualization within the context of art
creation.
To let these hypotheses, Landau and Greenacre (2006, Study 3) proposed that self-expression and self-verification are related to the expression of one's true self. The study aimed to understand the relationship between self-expression and self-verification to ensure a better understanding of how these two factors influence each other. The hypotheses were tested through a series of experiments, and the results were presented in a table format.
The effects of uncertainty on consumer behavior

Uncertainty management theory

Meaning maintenance model provides an adequate account of the cognitive processes involved in uncertainty management. The model consists of two components: (a) the creation of mental structures that allow individuals to interpret ambiguous situations in a way that is consistent with their existing beliefs and (b) the manipulation of these structures to reduce uncertainty. According to this theory, uncertainty is managed through the process of meaning maintenance, which involves the construction and maintenance of mental representations that are consistent with existing knowledge and beliefs.

Meaning maintenance involves the following steps:
1. **Identification of uncertainty**: Individuals identify situations as uncertain by detecting inconsistencies or ambiguities.
2. **Activation of existing mental representations**: Existing mental representations are activated to provide a framework for interpreting the uncertain situation.
3. **Generation of alternative mental representations**: Alternative mental representations are generated to explore new possibilities and to challenge existing mental representations.
4. **Evaluation of alternative mental representations**: Alternative mental representations are evaluated against existing knowledge and beliefs to determine their validity.
5. **Selection of a mental representation**: A mental representation is selected based on its adequacy and relevance to the situation.

Meaning maintenance is a dynamic process that involves ongoing evaluation and selection of mental representations. The process is facilitated by the individual's ability to engage in self-reflection and to access a wide range of knowledge and beliefs. The effectiveness of meaning maintenance in managing uncertainty depends on the individual's ability to access and utilize relevant knowledge and beliefs.

Uncertainty management is an important aspect of decision making in various domains, including health, finance, and education. Understanding how individuals manage uncertainty can provide insights into their decision-making processes and can inform the development of more effective interventions to support decision making.


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For example, the text might be discussing the decision of a court case that has implications for psychological theories and management practices. It could be arguing that the court's decision should be considered in the context of existing theories and frameworks, and that practical applications should be informed by these theoretical considerations.

The document likely contains arguments or analyses that support these positions, although the specific details are not clear from the provided excerpt.

Overall, the document seems to be a technical or academic discussion on the intersection of legal, psychological, and management theories.
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theory. The motivation here is that our world is no

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intrinsic to the emotional experience, where these functions are generally

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violence. Noting that several accounts of why people commit crimes and

engage in violence are related to how their emotional experience differs from

their own emotional experience, the meaning maintenance hypothesis

proposes that when people experience uncertainty and meaninglessess or

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In the experimental condition, participants were instructed to solve a series of puzzles, while in the control condition, they were not. The results showed that participants in the experimental condition reported higher levels of psychological distress than those in the control condition.
CONCLUSION

We fly to beauty as an asylum from the terrors of finite nature.

Emerson (1838/2003, p. 46)

Based on terror management theory and research, we posit that creating and responding to art functions to bolster cultural meaning and personal significance in the service of buffering existential terror. We reviewed multiple independent lines of research examining the unique effect of death-related ideation on attitudinal and behavioural responses to artworks and creative behaviour. We are not claiming that terror management motivation is the exclusive psychological force behind creating and responding to the arts in all their diverse manifestations from prehistory to the present day; rather, we are claiming that the TMT-based view of art that we are proposing, and the supporting empirical work we report, adds an important and heretofore neglected dimension to the discourse on the motivational underpinnings of artistic activity.

Furthermore, this research highlights art’s far-reaching significance in various social psychological phenomena, including attitudinal and behavioural engagement with objects symbolising culturally valued meaning; intergroup attitudes; the reactions of minority group members to the appropration and translation of aspects of their culture by a majority group; attitudes towards culturally iconic figures; willingness to explore culturally unconventional information; and the emotional consequences of deviating from social norms. Thus, in addition to providing evidence of the role of terror management motivation in artistic activities, these findings vividly illustrate that art is not, as commonly assumed, a rarefied activity reserved for the culturally elite; rather, it is intricately interwoven into diverse dimensions of people’s everyday social lives. Of course, more research is needed to fully understand the motivational underpinnings of artistic activity and art’s sociocultural significance. Throughout this review we have pointed to fruitful directions for future research. We noted, for example, that experimental research should be conducted to determine whether the individual’s urge to create is driven by a motivation for symbolic immortality.

Future research should also address an additional means by which art may keep mortality concerns at bay. It is possible that aesthetic engagement—both creation and response—can focus individuals’ attention in a way that transforms their normal awareness of time and self, which ultimately enables them to obscure the ever-present realisation that they are mortal creatures. Schopenhauer (1883/2009) noted that in a state of immersive aesthetic engagement, “We do not let abstract thought, the concepts of reason, take possession of our consciousness, but . . . devote the whole power of our mind to perception, sink ourselves completely therein . . . We lose ourselves entirely in this object” (p. 195). Schopenhauer’s description accords with Csikszentmihalyi’s (1990) description of “flow” as a full engagement of one’s concentration on an intrinsically rewarding activity, a loss of objective self-awareness, and a focus of attention on the present moment. Indeed, Csikszentmihalyi and Robinson (1990) have argued that creating and responding to art is a powerful means of achieving flow. This raises the questions: Why do people seek immersive aesthetic engagement? What are the psychological benefits of being “lifted above the stream of life” by artistic activity (Bell, 1914, p. 266)? Csikszentmihalyi and Robinson (1990) argue that such engagement is autotelic—having its end in itself. TMT offers a complementary explanation according to which immersive aesthetic engagement is beneficial because it provides temporary relief from the awareness of the self’s mortal fate.

According to Becker and TMT, humans have a unique capacity to symbolically represent the distant past and future, and this makes it possible for individuals to be aware of the inevitability of death in the fullness of time. Immersive aesthetic engagement focuses attention on the temporal present, and may thus allow the individual to avoid the awareness (explicit or implicit) of his or her imminent death. One way in which aesthetic engagement facilitates this reprieve from the mortal implications of time is by adjusting the individual’s normal understanding of time’s flux. Philosopher Grudin (1982) observes that, in the two hours of physical time it takes an individual to watch a film, he or she can vicariously participate in an expansion of time spanning centuries; conversely, other artworks (e.g., Joyce’s Finnegans Wake, 1939) may take a great deal of physical time to consume, yet they richly detail the intricacies of only a relatively short moment of “narrative” time.

In addition to transforming our normal conceptions of time, aesthetic engagement relaxes our common state of heightened self-awareness (Benson, 2001). Becker (1971) and TMT posit that the uniquely human capacity to be self-aware is largely what makes it possible for individuals to recognise the inevitability of their own death. Indirect empirical support for this claim is provided by evidence that mortality salience leads to greater aversion to self-focused attention induced by the presence of a mirror (Arndt, Greenberg, Pyszczynski, & Solomon, 1998). This may be a further reason why, from a terror management perspective, we are motivated to participate in immersive aesthetic engagement, which entails a transfer of conscious focus from the self to the immediate possibilities of the art object or the creative experience.

A final possibility worth noting is that immersive aesthetic engagements may have the capacity not only to minimise threatening mortality-related ideation, but to furthermore promote psychological well-being. Fredrickson’s (2001) broaden-and-build theory of emotions suggests that
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