The position of Scuola Romana Rorschach regarding the "Hermann Rorschach Psychodiagnostic Plates", by Giunti OS, Florence Italy

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In 2013, the Italian publisher GIUNTI-OS of Florence requested our scientific advice following the decision taken to reprint the Inkblots of Hermann Rorschach, considering that the terms of copyright on the plates had expired.

Our involvement, carried out free of charge, therefore had the objective of reducing to a minimum the differences that would have arisen between them and the Inkblots in use and published by Hogrefe AG, differences that would have been significant and substantial in the new Giunti printing if they had come to light without any attempt to align them with the original plates.

We were reproved by the ISR, which in its bylaws article 2.2. states, "The Society recognizes as the only legitimate inkblots constituting the Rorschach Test those produced and published by Verlag Hans Huber, Hogrefe of Bern, Switzerland." To avoid our institute, among the few founding societies of the ISR still existing in the world, risking expulsion by the ISR, we adhered to the bylaws and we sent in November 2014 a letter to GIUNTI OS, a copy of which is in the possession of the International Society, in which we required GIUNTI-OS to withdraw our endorsement from the product published as "Hermann Rorschach Psychodiagnostic Plates" and related promotional initiatives of the product in any form.

From our point of view we believe we have acted in accordance with the requests made to us and we do not consider ourselves to be further responsible or involved in the legal dispute between Hogrefe AG and Giunti OS.

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