August 2021 Editorial

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Our summer issue includes two articles disseminating the activities undertaken by the different subsections of the EHPS, more

precisely CREATE and Synergy. This issue is also a tribute to **Ari Haukkala**, a fellow of our society and esteemed colleague and friend.

A brief overview of the articles included in this issue can be found below.

This EHP issue features an introductory piece on our new and returning **2021 SYNERGY** committee members as well as an insight into 2021 SYNERGY expert meeting. This year's expert meeting is titled "Open Digital Health accelerating health promotion and treatment during and after COVID-19 pandemic".

CREATE'S PR master, Claire Reidy, introduces the **2021 CREATE** committee and what it has in store for the upcoming CREATE workshop. This year's workshop will focus on writing for publications, writing for social media to communicate your research, and writing to acquire funding and grants.

With the sad passing of **Ari Haukkala**, society members expressed the wish to honour him and his extraordinary and exceptional contribution to the EHPS by providing a *in memoriam* series of articles. This issue therefore features articles provided by Ari's companions, friends and colleagues. Nelli Hankonen and Wendy Hardeman summarise and honour Ari's exceptional body of work in several the areas of social and health psychology as well as chronic diseases, eating behaviour and genetics. Antti Uutela reflects on his time with Ari as Ari's PhD supervisor. Hanna Konttinen and Marleena Vornanen are some of Ari's former PhD students and they paint a vivid picture of Ari as an exceptionally kind and competent supervisor and mentor. Susan Michie and Robert West pay tribute to Ari by acknowledging his warmth, generosity and profound intellect and we would like to join them in saying that Ari is "a true scientist who is greatly missed".

The 2021 EHPS conference is fast approaching (23rd – 27th of August, 2021) and we hope you are all curious and excited about the forthcoming online conference. Hope to see you 'virtually' at the 2021 EHPS conference!



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