Consciousness

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I work in meta-philosophy and am not particularly interested in consciousness. As it is a word that many of us involved in philosophy come across I need to be clear what I mean by it. I have no theories about it.

This is what I think about philosophy. It is fiction, speculation and opinion, presented by, as reasoning, argumentation and other philosophical tools.

I summed this up in many ways for example -

https://www.academia.edu/44328163/Irrelevant_Philosophy_Ulrich_de_Balbian

https://www.academia.edu/30703651/philosophizing_no_do_theorizing

and many other books, articles.

I think consciousness should be approached as something biological or in a biological manner.

My reason for this is, is that I wish to suggest that all living organisms might have some feature that from a certain perspective could be referred to as conscious
or consciousness.

What I am actually trying to do is express how I use the word. I do not wish to or attempt to restrict it in my thoughts about it. I only wish to clarified how I employ it and think about the concepts/s.

I further think the umbrella-word consciousness has so many meanings and it is confusing and misleading.

Because of this I wish to suggest to more ways in which it can be clarified, used in a clearer and more precise and less misleading manner.

I suggest that there are many different things that are referred to by consciousness. The different forms, types, nature, aims, objectives, purposes and functions of consciousness of different species, kinds and types of living organisms.

These different types of consciousness can and should be identified and named. For example the types of consciousness of dogs, or cats, sea urchins, different types of plants, fauna, flora, octopus, flies, viruses, bugs, humans, etc etc.

I suggest refer to them as cons1, cons2, cons1a, cons 3, etc.

**For example consciousness of ‘ordinary’, adult**
fairly intelligent, Western educated, male, human beings as

consc 100, a, m, W, educated, etc.

A young oak tree’s as cons 1, oak, young,
a young, male, Pitbull, domesticated as cons 2, P,
y, dom, male, etc

Then I wish to make a further specification or features about consciousness, in this case of the the cons 100, a, m, W, educated

It is necessary to identify and specify

different levels,
dimensions,

aspects of the stages of the processes of consciousness,
bio-chemical aspects,
aspects to do with the brain’s functioning,
other organs,
sense organs, different stages,
feelings, emotions, cognition different types and stages, creative and critical thinking stages, etc

One could of course eventually create words and ideas for all these things, but in the meantime one
could refer to them say

X1, c,b,a etc.

The above are merely suggestions of the many phenomena concerning consciousness types, stapes, levels, processes, dimensions that need to be identified, named and conceptualized.