S1 File. Practitioner Interview Questions

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Meditation history

1. Please provide a brief chronological overview of your meditation practice history, including: when you began meditating; why you began meditating; lineages, teachers, or centers with which you have been affiliated; and meditation type and practice amount at different periods of time (daily practice and retreat).

Phenomenology

- 1. What kinds of experiences have you had that you associate with meditation?
- 2. Are there any unexpected, challenging, or difficult experiences that you associate with the practice of meditation?
- 3. How did these experiences impact your life?

Interpretations, causes, and influencing factors

- 1. How did you interpret your experiences?
- 2. How did other people interpret your experiences? What interpretive frameworks were offered to you?
- 3. Why do you associate these experiences with meditation?
- 4. Are there any other factors that you think may have influenced the nature or course of your meditation experiences?

Remedies

- 1. How did you and others respond to these experiences?
- 2. What kinds of responses or management strategies have you found particularly helpful?
- 3. What kinds of responses or management strategies have you found particularly unhelpful?