



Symposium: What is Qualitative about Qualitative Research?

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Since the 2019 publication of Patrik Aspers and Ugo Corte's article, "What is Qualitative in Qualitative Research?", it has been accessed 242 thousand times. *Qualitative Sociology* has invited Editorial Board Members Mario Small, Jennifer Reich, Paul Lichterman, and Japonica Brown-Saracino to respond to their article and to revisit the very question they are raising: "What is Qualitative in Qualitative Research?" These essays, and the response by Aspers and Corte, present a lively and timely discussion on the distinct characteristics of qualitative work and shed light on its pluralistic and contested character.

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