

Beyond the Limit: Philosophical Protagonists of Human Enhancement

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Description

This book discusses moral issues related to human enhancement in light of some of its first philosophical protagonists. These generally come from the German Romantic tradition (Schelling, Du Prel, Hellenbach, Klages, Driesch, T.H. Green etc.), but insights are shared by several Asian strands of thought. The contributions in this volume consider the possibility that real human enhancement presupposes an altered state of consciousness. They discuss several philosophies which not only put into question prevailing forms of 'normalised', rational-empirical consciousness, but also give an account of the stratified structure of consciousness. Virtual human capabilities are identified that may conditionally be brought to flourishing.

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