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Personalist Neuroethics

Practical Neuroethics. Volume 2

PHILOSOPHY OF PERSONALISM

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The second volume of James Beauregard's "Personalist Neuroethics" is a timely and much-needed contribution to the current conversation on personhood, ethical decision-making, and neuroscience. Dr. Beauregard brings to this book a remarkable range of areas of expertise, which gives him the ability to bring together personalist philosophy, neuroscience, medical ethics, and an attention to media studies, military ethics, and the law. He offers us a vision of the person as unified, integrated wholes, a holistic vision with a clear place for scientific understanding of the brain and the principles of neuroethics, but without the reductionisms that often attend medical ethical thinking. His vision attends carefully to the deep dignity of persons, to personal responsibility, and to justice and the common good. The result is a deep and wide-ranging approach to neuroethics that is at once philosophically rigorous and immediately practically applicable.

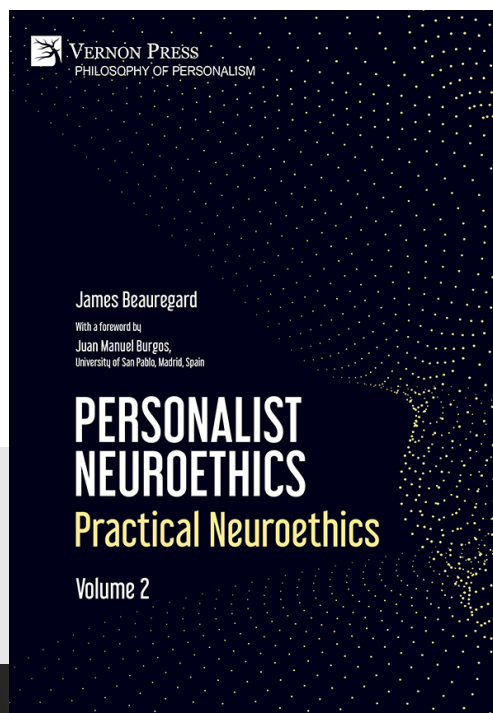
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Summary

'Personalist Neuroethics: Practical Neuroethics. Volume 2' is the second volume by the author to address ethical questions in neuroscience. The first volume dealt primarily with theoretical issues, while the present volume delves into specific and concrete ethical dilemmas that arise in neuroscience research and practice. The topics covered include human dignity and neuroethics, neuroethical issues at the beginning of life (e.g. stem cell use in neuropsychiatric treatments), neuroethics and injured persons (e.g. brain injury and disorders of consciousness, brain-computer interface technology), neuroethics at the end of life (e.g. dementia care), the ethics of enhancement, and neuroethics as it impacts forensics and the justice system, the media, national security and warfare, and the rarely discussed topic of neuroethics and religion.



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