

Short Bio

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- *Humanity Enhanced: Genetic Choice and the Challenge for Liberal Democracies* (2014);
- *The Mystery of Moral Authority* (2016);
- *Science Fiction and the Moral Imagination: Visions, Minds, Ethics* (2017);
- *The Tyranny of Opinion: Conformity and the Future of Liberalism* (2019);
- *At the Dawn of a Great Transition: The Question of Radical Enhancement* (2021); and most recently,
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