

## Enhancing Life Bibliography

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Kurt Bayertz (eds.), *Die menschliche Natur. Welchen und wieviel Wert hat sie?*, Paderborn: mentis, 2005.

The question of what a so-called human nature might be gains its contemporary necessity in particular by the new biotechnological development. This book examines in particular its possible definition, moral status and value.

Ruth Chadwick et al. (eds.), *The Bioethics Reader. Editor's Choice*, Malden/Oxford: Blackwell, 2007.

This collection gathers the best essays published over the last decades in *Bioethics*. It gives a substantial overview on questions in particular dealing with genetics, beginning or end of life.

Volker Gerhardt/Julian Nida-Rümelin (eds.), *Evolution in Natur und Kultur*, Berlin/New York: de Gruyter, 2010.

This anthology sheds light upon the notion of evolution from a philosophical historical perspective. It shows in which way human beings have increased their influence on nature through their *cultural* evolution.

Jürgen Habermas, *Die Zukunft der menschlichen Natur. Auf dem Weg zu einer liberalen Eugenik*, Frankfurt a.M.: Suhrkamp, 2001.

This book presents one of the most influential arguments of the bio-conservative strand. Habermas warns that enhancement technologies can lead to a 'liberal eugenic' by instrumentalizing the human species.

Giovanni Maio et al. (eds.), *Mensch ohne Maß? Reichweite und Grenze anthropologischer Argumente in der biomedizinischen Ethik*, Freiburg/München: Alber, 2008.

This interdisciplinary anthology takes its point of departure from an anthropological perspective. It supports the thesis that the notion of human beings incorporates a possibility to measure the biotechnological development.