Human Enhancement: The Promise and the Peril

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Janet Kourany has been concerned with the interrelations between science and society—how science shapes society and society shapes science—for many years now, ever since research in the history and sociology of science weaned her away from old enlightenment ideas of a neutral, socially-detached, value-free science. At the same time, she has never quite given up on the enlightenment ideal of human flourishing and a just society built on the basis of reason and sound science, an ideal shared with many feminist scientists, philosophers, and historians of science. Her latest book, “Philosophy of Science after Feminism,” seeks both to locate science within its wider societal context and to articulate a new, more comprehensive understanding of scientific rationality, one that integrates the ethical with the epistemic. She received her PhD from Columbia University and currently teaches at the University of Notre Dame.

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LinkedIn tips for scientists

From Naturejobs
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As scientists work in different ways to a lot of other professionals, having online profiles might seem unnecessary. But whilst many scientific contacts are made through more formal networks, that’s no reason to dismiss the power of sites like LinkedIn.

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WIN seeks NU’s winning ideas

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Last year, WIN awarded two grants of more than $75,000 each.

“How important is it and in what way can a scientist make their LinkedIn profile look good? I hear it so often that sometimes I wonder whether it is worth all the effort to keep it savvy the way I see IT professionals or finance professionals do.”

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