Record Nr. UNINA9910252706603321 Autore Stubbe Julian Articulating Novelty in Science and Art: The Comparative Technography Titolo of a Robotic Hand and a Media Art Installation // by Julian Stubbe Wiesbaden: .: Springer Fachmedien Wiesbaden: .: Imprint: Springer Pubbl/distr/stampa VS, , 2017 **ISBN** 3-658-18979-7 Edizione [1st ed. 2017.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (XII, 245 p. 30 illus.) 306.42 Disciplina Soggetti Sociology Knowledge - Discourse Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia "Research"--Cover. Note generali Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references. Nota di contenuto Novelty and technological objects -- Three articulations of novelty: identity, form, and difference -- The aesthetic reflexivity of material practice. Sommario/riassunto Julian Stubbe aims at characterizing what novelty is in the becoming of objects and how the new becomes part of a shared reality. The study's method is comparative and concerned with technological practice in science as well as in art. It draws on a detailed comparison of two cases: the becoming of a robotic hand made from silicon, and the genesis of a media art installation that renders visible changes in the earth's magnetic field. In contrast to the canon of sociological innovation studies, which regard novelty as what actors in the field label as new or innovation, the author attempts to delineate certain shifts in an object's becoming that individuate an object and render its difference visible. This entails attending the enactment of novelty through cultural imaginaries and narratives about technologies, as well as acknowledging the shifts in technical forms that make loose elements enter a new kind of circularity. From this perspective, novelty

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