1. Record Nr. UNINA9910255253603321 Autore Carter J Titolo Metaepistemology and Relativism [[electronic resource] /] / by J. Carter London:,: Palgrave Macmillan UK:,: Imprint: Palgrave Macmillan,, Pubbl/distr/stampa 2016 9781137336644 **ISBN** 1-137-33664-1 Edizione [1st ed. 2016.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (xiv, 298 pages) Collana Palgrave Innovations in Philosophy Disciplina 121 Soggetti Music Philosophy of mind Philosophy of Mind Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Bibliographic Level Mode of Issuance: Monograph Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Metaepistemology and realism -- Global relativism -- The pyrrhonian argument for epistemic relativism -- Dialogic arguments for epistemic relativism -- Incommensurability, circularity, and epistemic relativism -- Replacement relativism: Boghossian, Kusch And Wright -- A different kind of epistemic relativism -- New relativism: epistemic aftermath -- Metaepistemology and relativism. Is knowledge relative? Many academics across the humanities are happy Sommario/riassunto to say that it is. However, those who work in mainstream epistemology. the philosophical theory of knowledge, generally take for granted that it is not. Metaepistemology and Relativism questions whether the kind of anti-relativistic background that underlies most typical projects in mainstream epistemology can on closer inspection be vindicated. To this end, prominent and diverse argument strategies for epistemic relativism are considered and criticised. It is shown that a common weakness of more traditional argument strategies for epistemic relativism is that they fail to decisively motivate relativism over scepticism. Interestingly, though, this style of objection cannot be

effectively redeployed against the new (semantic) variety of epistemic relativism—itself introduced only in the past decade. Although new (semantic) epistemic relativism constitutes an entirely different kind of

challenge to mainstream epistemology than traditional forms, the new variety itself faces a dilemma. Once the dilemma is appreciated, it will be shown that the threat to mainstream epistemology that epistemic relativism is best understood as posing is in fact a very different one than we'd be originally inclined to think.