1. Record Nr. UNINA9910269348203321 Autore Shepherd Joshua Titolo Consciousness and moral status / / by Joshua Shepherd Pubbl/distr/stampa Taylor & Francis, 2018 Boca Raton, FL:,: Routledge, an imprint of Taylor and Francis,, [2018] ©2019 **ISBN** 1-315-39633-5 1-315-39634-3 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (viii, 111 pages) : digital, PDF file(s) Routledge focus on philosophy Collana 128.2 Disciplina Soggetti Consciousness - Moral and ethical aspects Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto part I Preliminaries -- chapter 1 Introduction / Joshua Shepherd -chapter 2 Preliminaries -- Consciousness / Joshua Shepherd -- chapter 3 Preliminaries -- Value / Joshua Shepherd -- chapter 4 Preliminaries -- Moral status / Joshua Shepherd -- part II An account of phenomenal value -- chapter 5 What it is like and beyond / Joshua Shepherd -chapter 6 Evaluative phenomenal properties / Joshua Shepherd -chapter 7 The importance of phenomenal character / Joshua Shepherd -- chapter 8 Contra Moore on an important point / Joshua Shepherd -chapter 9 Hedonism about the value within consciousness / Joshua Shepherd -- chapter 10 The bearers of phenomenal value / Joshua Shepherd -- chapter 11 Thick experiences / Joshua Shepherd -chapter 12 Meta-evaluative properties / Joshua Shepherd -- chapter 13 Evaluative spaces, part I / Joshua Shepherd -- chapter 14 Evaluative spaces, part II / Joshua Shepherd -- chapter 15 How far we have come / Joshua Shepherd -- part III Moral status and difficult cases -- chapter 16 Moral status -- Machines and post-persons / Joshua Shepherd -chapter 17 Moral status -- The other animals / Joshua Shepherd -chapter 18 Moral status -- Human cases / Joshua Shepherd. Sommario/riassunto It seems obvious that phenomenally conscious experience is something of great value, and that this value maps onto a range of important

ethical issues. For example, claims about the value of life for those in

Permanent Vegetative State (PVS); debates about treatment and study of disorders of consciousness; controversies about end-of-life care for those with advanced dementia; and arguments about the moral status of embryos, fetuses, and non-human animals arguably turn on the moral significance of various facts about consciousness. However, though work has been done on the moral significance of elements of consciousness, such as pain and pleasure, little explicit attention has been devoted to the ethical significance of consciousness.