1. Record Nr. UNINA9910300582703321 Autore Minerva Francesca Titolo The Ethics of Cryonics: Is it Immoral to be Immortal? // by Francesca Minerva Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Palgrave Pivot, Pubbl/distr/stampa , 2018 **ISBN** 3-319-78599-0 Edizione [1st ed. 2018.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (XIII, 135 p.) Collana Palgrave Pivot Disciplina 363.75 Soggetti Technology—Sociological aspects **Bioethics** Physical anthropology Science and Technology Studies Biological and Physical Anthropology Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto 1. Introduction -- 2. Pausing Death -- 3. Resuming Life -- 4. The Death Conundrum -- 5. The Immortality Conundrum -- 6. Cryothanasia -- 7. Cryosuspension of Pregnancy. Cryonics—also known as cryopreservation or cryosuspension—is the Sommario/riassunto preservation of legally dead individuals at ultra-low temperatures. Those who undergo this procedure hope that future technology will not only succeed in reviving them, but also cure them of the condition that led to their demise. In this sense, some hope that cryopreservation will allow people to continue living indefinitely. This book discusses the moral concerns of cryonics, both as a medical procedure and as an intermediate step toward life extension. In particular, Minerva analyses the moral issues surrounding cryonics-related techniques (including the hypothetical cryosuspension of fetuses as an alternative to abortion) by focusing on how they might impact the individuals who

undergo cryosuspension, as well as society at large...