Record Nr. UNINA9910349542803321 Autore Delimata Natalie Titolo Articulating Intersex: A Crisis at the Intersection of Scientific Facts and Social Ideals / / by Natalie Delimata Pubbl/distr/stampa Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Springer,, 2019 **ISBN** 3-030-21898-8 Edizione [1st ed. 2019.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (XVI, 186 p.) Collana Philosophy and Medicine, , 0376-7418; ; 131 171.7 Disciplina 306.7685 Soggetti **Bioethics** Medical ethics Human body—Social aspects Poststructuralism Intersex Persons - psychology Philosophy Health Knowledge, Attitudes, Practice Theory of Medicine/Bioethics Sociology of the Body Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Chapter 1 - Introduction -- Chapter 2 - Articulating Intersex in a Binary Nota di contenuto Society -- Chapter 3 - Epistemic Monism -- Chapter 4 - Essentialism and Intersex -- Chapter 5 - Naturalism and Intersex -- Chapter 6 -Emergentism and Intersex -- Chapter 7 – Humean Morals and Intersex -- Bibliography. Sommario/riassunto This book explores the ethical dilemma clinicians may face when disclosing a diagnosis of atypical sex. The moment of disclosure reveals an epistemic incompatibility between scientific fact and social meaning in relation to sex. Attempting to assess the bio-psychosocial implications of this dilemma highlights a complex historic antagonism between fact and meaning making satisfactory resolution of this dilemma difficult. Drawing on David Hume, WVO Quine and Michel

Foucault the author presents an integrative model, which views

scientific fact and social meaning as codetermining threads in one fabric of knowledge. From this epistemic perspective, the ethical dilemma is understood as a tear in the fabric signifying a rupturing of ontological integrity. To mend this tear and resolve the ethical dilemma three metaphysical perspectives are considered: essentialism, naturalism and emergentism. The book's unique features include: an exploration of the impact of diagnostic disclosure on people with atypical sex (intersex); a synthesis of the epistemic perspectives of social and natural science facilitating interdisciplinary collaboration; a critical evaluation of three metaphysical perspectives on atypical sex (intersex); the application of Hume's epistemological and moral distinctions to contemporary biomedicine and bioethics. The book's target audience includes academics, students and professionals whose work intersects the natural and social sciences, and individuals interested in the metaphysics, epistemology and meta-ethics of sex.