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of the feeling body, so we can better understand the physiological and

epistemological conditions affirming our cultural status quo and

contestatory strategies for emancipation.