Record Nr. UNINA9910966715203321 Autore Wiener Linda <1957-> Titolo Leaving us to wonder: an essay on the questions science can't ask // Linda Wiener and Ramsey Eric Ramsey Albany, : State University of New York Press, c2005 Pubbl/distr/stampa 9780791484036 **ISBN** 0791484033 9781423743675 1423743679 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (174 p.) Collana SUNY series in philosophy and biology RamseyRamsey Eric <1960-> Altri autori (Persone) Disciplina 501 Soggetti Philosophy and science Science - Philosophy 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 (p. 153-159) and index. Nota di contenuto Front Matter -- Contents -- Preface -- A Place to Begin -- The Persistence of a Question -- What Darwin and Nietzsche Saw --Provoking Thought -- The Limits of Science and the Danger of Scientism: Drawing out the Consequences for Thinking -- Leaving Us to Wonder -- Notes -- Bibliography -- Index Sommario/riassunto This exciting collaboration between a biologist and a philosopher explores the meaning of the scientific worldview and how it plays out in our everyday lives. The authors investigate alternatives to scientism, the view that science is the proper and exclusive foundation for thinking about and answering every question. They ask: Does the current technoscientific worldview threaten the pursuit of living well? Do the facts procured by technoscientific systems render inconsequential our lived experiences, the wisdom of ancient and

> contemporary philosophical insight, and the promise offered by timehonored religious beliefs? Drawing on important Western thinkers, including Kant, Nietzsche, Darwin, Heidegger, and others, Linda Wiener and Ramsey Eric Ramsey demonstrate how many of the claims and conclusions of technoscience can and should be challenged. They offer ways of thinking about science in a larger context that respect scientific

practice, while taking seriously alternative philosophical modes of thought whose aims are freedom, the good life, and living well.