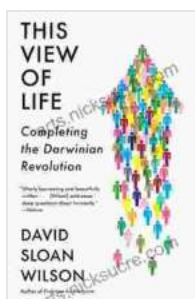


This View of Life Completing the Darwinian Revolution

Rupert Sheldrake's book, *This View of Life*, is a thought-provoking and challenging work that proposes a new understanding of life based on the idea of morphic resonance. This theory suggests that everything in the universe is connected and that past experiences can shape the future.



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Sheldrake's theory of morphic resonance is based on the observation that certain patterns and behaviors seem to be repeated throughout nature. For example, the shape of a seashell is determined by the genetic code of the mollusk that created it, but it is also influenced by the shape of the shells of previous generations of mollusks. In other words, the past experiences of the mollusk's ancestors have shaped the form of its shell.

Sheldrake believes that morphic resonance is not limited to the physical world but also applies to the world of mind and consciousness. He argues

that our thoughts and experiences can shape the future in the same way that the experiences of our ancestors have shaped our physical form.

This View of Life has been praised by some as a revolutionary new way of thinking about life. However, it has also been criticized by some scientists who argue that it is unscientific and lacks empirical evidence.

Implications of Morphic Resonance

If Sheldrake's theory of morphic resonance is correct, it has profound implications for our understanding of the world. For example, it suggests that:

- The past can shape the future.
- Everything in the universe is connected.
- Our thoughts and experiences can have a real impact on the world.

These ideas have the potential to change the way we think about ourselves, our place in the universe, and our relationship to the past and the future.

Criticisms of Morphic Resonance

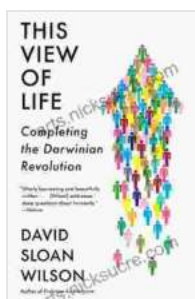
Sheldrake's theory of morphic resonance has been criticized by some scientists on the grounds that it is unscientific and lacks empirical evidence. For example, one criticism is that Sheldrake has not been able to provide a clear and testable definition of morphic resonance.

Another criticism is that Sheldrake's experiments have not been able to replicate his findings. For example, one study found that the shape of

seashells was not influenced by the shape of the shells of previous generations of mollusks.

Despite these criticisms, Sheldrake's theory of morphic resonance remains a popular and thought-provoking idea. It is a reminder that there is still much that we do not know about the world and that there may be more to life than we can currently explain.

This View of Life is a challenging and thought-provoking book that proposes a new understanding of life based on the idea of morphic resonance. This theory suggests that everything in the universe is connected and that past experiences can shape the future. While Sheldrake's theory has been criticized by some scientists, it remains a popular and thought-provoking idea that has the potential to change the way we think about ourselves, our place in the universe, and our relationship to the past and the future.



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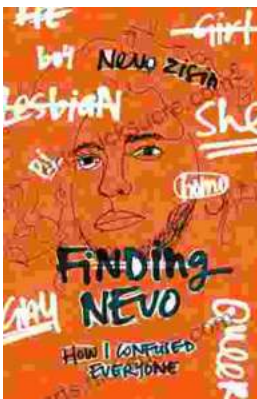
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