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ASTROBIOLOGY IN THE PHILOSOPHICAL TRADITION

Abstract

Astrobiology can obtain inspiration from Philosophy. Julian Chela - Flores refers to Astrobiology as an interdisciplinary science that has inspired multiple philosophers and thinkers from a theoretical perspective. In this regard, personalities such as Pasteur, Darwin, and Wallace have brought immense knowledge to humankind. Humanity and astrobiology have found a common interest in the search for extraterrestrial forms of life and, why not, civilisations. One may question whether there is life in the universe or if our intelligence can be repeated elsewhere. The present work will treat how astrobiology and society have interacted from a philosophical perspective and which important questions have arisen in the latest years.