

## Current And Emerging Technologies For The Diagnosis Of Microbial Infections Volume 42 Methods In Microbiology

The field of forensic DNA analysis has grown immensely in the past two decades and genotyping of biological samples is now routinely performed in human identification (HID) laboratories. Application areas include paternity testing, forensic casework, family lineage studies, identification of human remains, and DNA databasing. Forensic DNA Analysis: Discover how 25 powerful technology trends are transforming 21st century businesses How will the latest technologies transform your business? Future Tech Trends in Practice will give you the knowledge of today's most important technology trends, and how to take full advantage of them to grow your business. The book presents 25 real-world technology trends along with their potential contributions to organisational success. You'll learn how to integrate existing advancements and plan for those that are on the way. In this book, best-selling author, strategic business advisor, and respected futurist Bernard Marr explains the role of technology in providing innovative businesses solutions for companies of varying sizes and across different industries. He covers wide-ranging trends and provides an overview of how companies are using these new and emerging technologies in practice. You, too, can prepare your company for the potential and power of trending technology by examining these and other areas of innovation described in Future Tech Trends in Practice: Artificial intelligence, including machine and deep learning The Internet of Things and the rise of smart devices Self-driving cars and autonomous drones 3D printing and additive manufacturing Blockchain technology Genomics and gene editing Augmented, virtual and mixed reality When you understand the technology trends that are driving success, now and into the future, you'll be better positioned to address and solve problems within your organisation.

The ever-increasing acceleration of technological change demands that today's information professionals and educators not only be constantly acquiring new knowledge and skills, but also that they cultivate the ability to make sound judgments on which technologies to embrace. If you are grappling with information overload and wondering how you can keep up, this guide is for you.

- Helps information specialists create a strategy for keeping up with new technologies and for making informed judgments on which technologies to test and integrate into library services
- Provides ideas for designing curriculum for an education technology specialist career track in library school
- Gives those who are preparing to interview for a technology specialist position a reliable guide for professional growth
- Identifies which types of resources are most helpful for keeping up with new technologies

Current and Emerging Technologies in Microbial Diagnostics, the latest volume in the Methods in Microbiology series, provides comprehensive, cutting-edge reviews of current and emerging technologies in the field of clinical microbiology. The book features a wide variety of state-of-the-art methods and techniques for the diagnosis and management of microbial infections, with chapters authored by internationally renowned experts. This volume focuses on current techniques, such as MALDI-TOF mass spectroscopy and molecular diagnostics, along with newly emerging technologies such as host-based diagnostics and next generation sequencing. Written by recognized leaders and experts in the field Provides a comprehensive and cutting-edge review of current and emerging technologies in the field of clinical microbiology, including discussions of current techniques such as MALDI-TOF mass spectroscopy and molecular diagnostics Includes a broad range and breadth of techniques covered Presents discussions on newly emerging technologies such as host-based diagnostics and next generation sequencing

Emerging Technologies for Librarians: A Practical Approach to Innovation focuses on the practical applications of emerging technologies in libraries, defining the technologies in the context of their use in real situations. Each chapter includes an overview of the use of emerging technologies in a particular work area that is followed by a list of relevant applications. Chapters cover work areas such as advertising, distance learning, metadata, and digital libraries, and also focus on applications, including mobile computing and web conferencing, followed by a conclusion. This book serves as a guide for those interested in learning about, and implementing, the available technologies that enhance library services, and also lists and discusses the types of emerging technologies that are available for a specific area of work. Discusses and reviews practical applications of emerging technologies for librarians Explores what emerging technologies are available in particular areas of library services Describes and evaluates applications Connects library work to innovations

Emerging Technologies for Battling Covid-19 Applications and Innovations Springer Nature

This book provides an impressive overview of emerging technologies, especially nanotechnologies and biotechnologies, and their prospective applications. It identifies and describes existing and potential markets for emerging technology-based applications, and projects scenarios for macroeconomic development based on these technologies. Integrated roadmaps for the development of a nano- and bioindustry are shown and policy measures and corporate strategies developed to advance these technologies. These measures are illustrated using roadmaps and policy case studies. The book combines a practical, comprehensive overview of the technical side of emerging technologies and their applications in various fields with an analysis of market developments and characteristics.

With the current advances in technology innovation, the field of medicine and healthcare is rapidly expanding and, as a result, many different areas of human health diagnostics, treatment and care are emerging. Wireless technology is getting faster and 5G mobile technology allows the Internet of Medical Things (IoMT) to greatly improve patient care and more effectively prevent illness from developing. This book provides an overview and review of the current and anticipated changes in medicine and healthcare due to new technologies and faster communication between users and devices. This groundbreaking book presents state-of-the-art chapters on many subjects including: A review of the

implications of VR and AR healthcare applications A review of current augmenting dental care An overview of typical human-computer interaction (HCI) that can help inform the development of user interface designs and novel ways to evaluate human behavior to responses in virtual reality (VR) and other new technologies A review of telemedicine technologies Building empathy in young children using augmented reality AI technologies for mobile health of stroke monitoring & rehabilitation robotics control Mobile doctor brain AI App An artificial intelligence mobile cloud computing tool Development of a robotic teaching aid for disabled children Training system design of lower limb rehabilitation robot based on virtual reality

Model-driven software development drastically alters the software development process, which is characterized by a high degree of innovation and productivity. Emerging Technologies for the Evolution and Maintenance of Software Models contains original academic work about current research and research projects related to all aspects affecting the maintenance, evolution, and reengineering (MER), as well as long-term management, of software models. The mission of this book is to present a comprehensive and central overview of new and emerging trends in software model research and to provide concrete results from ongoing developments in the field.

Emerging Technologies for Sustainable Desalination Handbook provides professionals and researchers with the latest treatment activities in the advancement of desalination technology. The book enables municipalities and private companies to custom-design sustainable desalination plants that will minimize discharge, energy costs and environmental footprint. Individual case studies are included to illustrate the benefits and drawback of each technique. Sections discuss a multitude of recently developed, advanced processes, along with notable advances made in existing technologies. These processes include adsorption, forward osmosis, humidification and dehumidification, membrane distillation, pervaporation and spray type thermal processes. In addition, theoretical membrane materials, such as nanocomposite and carbon nanotube membranes are also explored. Other chapters cover the desalination of shale gas, produced water, forward osmosis for agriculture, desalination for crop irrigation, and seawater for sustainable agriculture. International in its coverage, the chapters of this handbook are contributed by leading authors and researchers in all relevant fields. Expertly explains recent advances in sustainable desalination technology, including nanocomposite membranes, carbon nanotube membranes, forward reverse osmosis and desalination by pervaporation Provides state-of-the-art techniques for minimizing system discharge, energy cost and environmental footprint Includes individual case studies to illustrate the benefits and drawbacks of each technique Discusses techniques for the custom-design of sustainable desalination plants for municipalities, private companies and industrial operations

Driven by such tools as big data, cognitive computing, new business models, and the internet of things, the overall demand for innovation is becoming more critical for competitiveness and emerging technologies. These technologies have become real alternatives for the market and offer new perspectives for modern project management applications. The Handbook of Research on Emerging Technologies for Effective Project Management is an essential research publication that proposes innovations for firms and markets through the exploration of project management principles and methods and the effective integration of knowledge and innovation. It encompasses academic and scientific propositions, reviews for conceptual bases, applications of theories in new market solutions, and cases of successful insertion of disruptive technologies and business models in new competitive market offers. Featuring a range of topics such as innovation management, business administration, and marketing, this book is ideal for project managers, IT specialists, software developers, executives, practitioners, managers, marketers, researchers, and industry professionals.

The increasing pace of advances in cardiology throughout the last few decades has fundamentally altered the natural course of heart patients. In the last few years, available therapies have been revolutionized completely by new transcatheter therapeutic approaches, novel ventricular assist devices, and new drugs. Also, molecular biology and genetics have a rapidly growing impact on cardiovascular diseases, enabling the field of regenerative medicine to become increasingly closer to routine clinical implementation. Emerging Technologies for Heart Diseases was conceived to cover the recent extensive literature on current and novel therapeutic options for cardiac patients. The first volume is dedicated to heart failure and valvular disorders, and the second covers myocardial ischemia and arrhythmias. The clinical topic is addressed in several chapters divided according to the therapeutic approach (mechanical or electrical device-based, or cell and gene-based). Each of the 46 chapters focuses on clinically available solutions, new therapies currently under evaluation in clinical trials, promising preclinical technologies, and emerging concepts and innovations that have not yet been tested in a preclinical model. Also, the book discusses future challenges and opportunities for clinical implementation. Lessons learned from abandoned experimental practices are also covered, giving the readers the widest possible perspective of current therapeutic dilemmas. Overall, this textbook was designed for physicians who want to stay up-to-date with current therapies and those of the future, for biomedical companies, and for those who wish to broaden their knowledge of new cardiovascular therapeutic options. Provides a comprehensive review of the latest therapeutic developments for heart failure, valvular disorders, myocardial ischemia and arrhythmias, and their clinical implications Written by both specialists in the field and established researchers, it delivers a review of emerging medical technologies and presents insight into their therapeutic promise Chapters are arranged according to disease pathogeneses and relevance and include coverage of the mechanical, electrophysiological, and biological approaches for the management of patients with myocardial ischemia and arrhythmias

The second edition of Emerging Technologies in Food Processing presents essential, authoritative, and complete literature and research data from the past ten years. It is a complete resource offering the latest technological innovations in food processing today, and includes vital information in research and development for the food processing

industry. It covers the latest advances in non-thermal processing including high pressure, pulsed electric fields, radiofrequency, high intensity pulsed light, ultrasound, irradiation, and addresses the newest hurdles in technology where extensive research has been carried out. Provides an extensive list of research sources to further research development Presents current and thorough research results and critical reviews Includes the most recent technologies used for shelf life extension, bioprocessing simulation and optimization Emerging Cognitive Neuroscience and Related Technologies, from the National Research Council, identifies and explores several specific research areas that have implications for U.S. national security, and should therefore be monitored consistently by the intelligence community. These areas include: neurophysiological advances in detecting and measuring indicators of psychological states and intentions of individuals the development of drugs or technologies that can alter human physical or cognitive abilities advances in real-time brain imaging breakthroughs in high-performance computing and neuronal modeling that could allow researchers to develop systems which mimic functions of the human brain, particularly the ability to organize disparate forms of data. As these fields continue to grow, it will be imperative that the intelligence community be able to identify scientific advances relevant to national security when they occur. To do so will require adequate funding, intelligence analysts with advanced training in science and technology, and increased collaboration with the scientific community, particularly academia. A key tool for the intelligence community, this book will also be a useful resource for the health industry, the military, and others with a vested interest in technologies such as brain imaging and cognitive or physical enhancers.

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Advancing technologies are rapidly modifying the current state of business and society causing an expansion of possible career opportunities. In order to stay competitive, institutions of education must provide an emphasis on the wide-range of skills and experiences needed to contribute to a 21st century workforce. As new technologies emerge and even disrupt, there will be a demand for new forms of education and deeper learning. Disruptive and Emerging Technology Trends Across Education and the Workplace is a collection of innovative research on the latest instructive methods being utilized in classrooms and organizations as well as the benefits and challenges of adopting these technologies. While highlighting topics including mobile learning, augmented reality, and cryptocurrencies, this book is ideally designed for developers, professionals, educators, managers, researchers, scientists, stakeholders, strategists, practitioners, and students seeking current research on new forms of educational techniques in relation to the continued application of new technologies in the workplace.

Advances in technology have always had a significant impact on sport. This book surveys the next generation of emerging technologies and considers how sport managers, governing bodies and officials can meet the challenges that they pose for sport competition, participation and events. It explores cutting edge developments in areas such as gene doping, vision and brain technologies, 3D printing technologies, molecular communication technologies and our ability to "rebuild" bodies. Each chapter considers the implications of a particular technology in terms of ethics, rules and regulations, facilities and resourcing, as well as the emergence of completely new forms of sport, and offers strategies for future sport management. Emerging Technologies in Sport is a valuable resource for sport industry professionals, undergraduate students in the fields of sport management, sport tourism, and sport business, and a fascinating read for anyone with an interest in sport and future applications of emerging technologies within sport. This book tackles the recent research directions in using the newly emerged technologies during the era of COVID-19 pandemic. It mainly focuses on using emerging technologies and their impact on health care, education, and society. It also provides insights into the current challenges and constraints in using technologies during the era of COVID-19 pandemic and exposes new opportunities for future research in the domain.

Innovations and Emerging Technologies in Wound Care is a pivotal book on the prevention and management of chronic and non-healing wounds. The book clearly presents the research and evidence that should be considered when planning care interventions to improve health related outcomes for patients. New and emerging technologies are

discussed and identified, along with tactics on how they can be integrated into clinical practice. This book offers readers a bridge between biomedical engineering and medicine, with an emphasis on technological innovations. It includes contributions from engineers, scientists, clinicians and industry professionals. Users will find this resource to be a complete picture of the latest knowledge on the tolerance of human tissues to sustained mechanical and thermal loads that also provides a deeper understanding of the risk for onset and development of chronic wounds. Describes the state-of-knowledge in wound research, including tissue damage cascades and healing processes Covers all state-of-the-art technology in wound prevention, diagnosis, prognosis and treatment Discusses emerging research directions and future technology trends in the field of wound prevention and care Offers a bench-to-bedside exploration of the key issues that affect the practice of prevention and management of non-healing wounds

The recent digital and mobile revolutions are a minor blip compared to the next wave of technological change, as everything from robot swarms to skin-top embeddable computers and bio printable organs start appearing in coming years. In this collection of inspiring essays, designers, engineers, and researchers discuss their approaches to experience design for groundbreaking technologies. Design not only provides the framework for how technology works and how it's used, but also places it in a broader context that includes the total ecosystem with which it interacts and the possibility of unintended consequences. If you're a UX designer or engineer open to complexity and dissonant ideas, this book is a revelation. Contributors include: Stephen Anderson, PoetPainter, LLC Lisa Caldwell, Brazen UX Martin Charlier, Independent Design Consultant Jeff Faneuff, Carbonite Andy Goodman, Fjord US Camille Goudeseune, Beckman Institute, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Bill Hartman, Essential Design Steven Keating, MIT Media Lab, Mediated Matter Group Brook Kennedy, Virginia Tech Dirk Knemeyer, Involution Studios Barry Kudrowitz, University of Minnesota Gershom Kutliroff, Omek Studio at Intel Michal Levin, Google Matt Nish-Lapidus, Normative Erin Rae Hoffer, Autodesk Marco Righetto, SumAll Juhan Sonin, Involution Studios Scott Stropkay, Essential Design Scott Sullivan, Adaptive Path Hunter Whitney, Hunter Whitney and Associates, Inc. Yaron Yanai, Omek Studio at Intel

The book presents recent trends and solutions to help healthcare sectors and medical staff protect themselves and others and limit the spread of the COVID-19. The book also presents the problems and challenges researchers and academics face in tackling this monumental task. Topics include: Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) or drones that can be used to detect infected people in different areas; robots used in fighting the COVID-19 by protecting workers and staff dealing with infected people; blockchain technology that secures sensitive transactions in strict confidentiality. With contributions from experts from around the world, this book aims to help those creating and honing technology to help with this global threat.

Emerging Technologies and Biological Systems for Biogas Upgrading systematically summarizes the fundamental principles and the state-of-the-art of biogas cleaning and upgrading technologies, with special emphasis on biological processes for carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>), hydrogen sulfide (H<sub>2</sub>S), siloxane, and hydrocarbon removal. After analyzing the global scenario of biogas production, upgrading and utilization, this book discusses the integration of methanation processes to power-to-gas systems for methane (CH<sub>4</sub>) production and physiochemical upgrading technologies, such as chemical absorption, water scrubbing, pressure swing adsorption and the use of membranes. It then explores more recent and sustainable upgrading technologies, such as photosynthetic processes using algae, hydrogen-mediated microbial techniques, electrochemical, bioelectrochemical, and cryogenic approaches. H<sub>2</sub>S removal with biofilters is also covered, as well as removal of siloxanes through polymerization, peroxidation, biological degradation and gas-liquid absorption. The authors also thoroughly consider issues of mass transfer limitation in biomethanation from waste gas, biogas upgrading and life cycle assessment of upgrading technologies, techno-economic aspects, challenges for upscaling, and future trends. Providing specific information on biogas upgrading technology, and focusing on the most recent developments, Emerging Technologies and Biological Systems for Biogas Upgrading is a unique resource for researchers, engineers, and graduate students in the field of biogas production and utilization, including waste-to-energy and power-to-gas. It is also useful for entrepreneurs, consultants, and decision-makers in governmental agencies in the fields of sustainable energy, environmental protection, greenhouse gas emissions and climate change, and strategic planning. Explores all major technologies for biogas upgrading through physiochemical, biological, and electrochemical processes Discusses CO<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>S, and siloxane removal techniques Provides a systematical approach to discuss technologies, including challenges to gas-liquid mass transfer, life cycle assessment, technoeconomic implications, upscaling and systems integration

Emerging Technologies in Computing: Theory, Practice, and Advances reviews the past, current, and future needs of technologies in the computer science field while it also discusses the emerging importance of appropriate practices, advances, and their impact. It outlines emerging technologies and their principles, challenges, and applications as well as issues involved in the digital age. With the rapid development of technologies, it becomes increasingly important for us to remain up to date on new and emerging technologies. It draws a clear illustration for all those who have a strong interest in emerging computing technologies and their impacts on society. Features: Includes high-quality research work by academicians and industrial experts in the field of computing Offers case studies related to Artificial Intelligence, Blockchain, Internet of Things, Multimedia Big Data, Blockchain, Augmented Reality, Data Science, Robotics, Cybersecurity, 3D Printing, Voice Assistants and Chatbots, and Future Communication Networks Serves as a valuable reference guide for anyone seeking knowledge about where future computing is heading

This book explores international biomedical research and development on the early diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease. It offers timely, multidisciplinary reflections on the social and ethical issues raised by promises of early diagnostics and asks under which conditions emerging diagnostic technologies can be considered a responsible innovation. The

initial chapters in this edited volume provide an overview and a critical discussion of recent developments in biomedical research on Alzheimer's disease. Subsequent contributions explore the values at stake in current practices of dealing with Alzheimer's disease and dementia, both within and outside the biomedical domain. Novel diagnostic technologies for Alzheimer's disease emerge in a complex and shifting field, full of controversies. Innovating with care requires a precise mapping of how concepts, values and responsibilities are filled in through the confrontation of practices. In doing so, the volume offers a practice-based approach of responsible innovation that is also applicable to other fields of innovation.

Learn and innovate with the latest technologies in nursing and healthcare! The first text of its kind in nursing, this book provides up-to-date information on innovative, smart technologies that nurses can use in clinical and nonclinical settings to keep up with the changing face of healthcare. This compelling guide will provide you with information about exciting areas of technology that have great potential to improve patient care. Subjects include big data, artificial intelligence, virtual and augmented realities, connected technologies, and precision health. There is also discussion of the shift of healthcare delivery into the community, with an outlook on improving outcomes and enhancing practice. Each chapter focuses on developing competency in current and future real-world applications of emerging technologies. Early chapters describe how to utilize new tools, processes, models, and products to serve the quadruple aim of better managing populations, decreasing costs, and enhancing both the patient's and the clinician's experience. The culture of innovation coincides with the ever-changing politics of healthcare in later chapters, which then evolves into the entrepreneurial opportunities for nurses. This text is an essential introduction for all practicing nurses, nurse leaders, and nurses teaching health information technology or informatics courses. Key Features: Written by nurses for nurses The latest information on emerging health information technology and associated nursing implications Compelling cases show the dramatic effect of innovations on value-based care Learn how applying novel technologies can improve patient care Qualified instructors have access to supplementary materials, including PowerPoint slides and an Instructor's Manual

In the context of tight budgets, complex geometries, high energy efficiency, and flexible user functions mean that the requirements for technical details, and their execution in modern buildings, are very exacting. Modern Construction Case Studies presents planned, under construction and completed, innovative avant-garde projects – all designed by internationally recognized architectural practices such as Zaha Hadid, BIG, Jean Nouvel, Gensler, Lab Architecture Studio, RMJM Architecture, Nordic Office of Architecture, and others. The case studies are analyzed in a structured way under technical criteria, using text, photographs, 3D illustrations, and diagrams. They provide inspiration for new approaches that also work for smaller-scale projects.

Defining "connectional intelligence" as the ability to pool knowledge and ambition toward large-scale, significant ends, an analysis of the problem-solving potential of today's media-connected world shares examples about individuals, businesses and communities.

Recent years have yielded significant advances in computing and communication technologies, with profound impacts on society. Technology is transforming the way we work, play, and interact with others. From these technological capabilities, new industries, organizational forms, and business models are emerging. Technological advances can create enormous economic and other benefits, but can also lead to significant changes for workers. IT and automation can change the way work is conducted, by augmenting or replacing workers in specific tasks. This can shift the demand for some types of human labor, eliminating some jobs and creating new ones. Information Technology and the U.S. Workforce explores the interactions between technological, economic, and societal trends and identifies possible near-term developments for work. This report emphasizes the need to understand and track these trends and develop strategies to inform, prepare for, and respond to changes in the labor market. It offers evaluations of what is known, notes open questions to be addressed, and identifies promising research pathways moving forward.

The ways in which humans communicate with one another is constantly evolving. Technology plays a large role in this evolution via new methods and avenues of social and business interaction. Optimizing Human-Computer Interaction With Emerging Technologies is a primary reference source featuring the latest scholarly perspectives on technological breakthroughs in user operation and the processes of communication in the digital era. Including a number of topics such as health information technology, multimedia, and social media, this publication is ideally designed for professionals, technology developers, and researchers seeking current research on technology's role in communication.

The newest book in The Rightful Place of Science series from Arizona State University's Consortium for Science, Policy & Outcomes, Future Conflict & Emerging Technologies explores the cutting edge of conflict and warfighting. The rapidly evolving environment for conflict combines destabilizing geopolitical factors with fast-moving technologies in ways that make familiar institutions and behaviors questionable, if not obsolete.

Emerging Communication Technologies Based on Wireless Sensor Networks: Current Research and Future Applications fills a gap in the existing literature by combining a plethora of WSN-based emerging technologies into a single source so that researchers can form opinions regarding these technologies. It presents different types of emerging communication technologies based on WSNs and describes how wireless sensor networks can be integrated with other communication technologies. It covers many of the new techniques and demonstrates the application of WSNs. The book's 14 chapters are divided into four parts. The first part covers the basics of wireless sensor networks and their principal working methods. The authors then move on to discuss different types of WSNs, characteristics of different types of emerging technologies based on WSNs, renewable energy sources, battery replenishment strategies, and application-specific energy challenges of WSNs. The second part is dedicated to issues related to wireless body area networks (WBANs). It discusses wearable WSNs and their applications, standards, and research trends. The authors also discuss routing schemes devised for WBANs and thermal-aware routing protocols for WBANs. The third part focuses on different emerging communication technologies based on WSNs, including electromagnetic wireless nanosensor networks, WSNs in the IoT, management of WSNs through satellite networks, WSNs in smart homes, and cognitive radio technology in conjunction with WSNs. The last part of the book covers topics generally related to typical WSNs, including energy-efficient data collection in WSNs, key distribution mechanisms in WSNs, distributed data gathering algorithms for mobile WSNs, and finally, a novel mobility scheme for WSNs that supports IPv6.

This volume looks at current and emerging technologies of war and some of the ethical issues surrounding their use. Although the nature and politics of war never change, the weapons and technologies used in war do change and are always undergoing development. Because of that, the arsenal of weapons for twenty-first century conflict is different from previous centuries. Weapons in today's world include an array of instruments of war that include, robotics, cyber war capabilities, human performance enhancement for warriors, and the proliferation of an entire spectrum of unmanned weapons systems and platforms. Tactical weapons now have the potential of strategic results and have changed the understanding of the battle space creating ethical, legal, and political issues unknown in the pre-9/11 world. What do these technologies mean for things such as contemporary international relations, the just-war tradition, and civil-military relations? Directed at readers in the academic, scientific, military, and public policy communities, this volume offers current thought on ethics and emerging technologies from internationally-recognized scholars addressing the full spectrum of issues in present warfare technology. It includes

current and ongoing topics of multi-discipline and international interest, such as ethics, law, international relations, war studies, public policy, science and technology. This book was originally published in various issues and volumes of the Journal of Military Ethics.

This book systematically addresses the issue of assessing the normative nature of visions of emerging technologies in an epistemologically robust way. In the context of democratic governance of emerging technologies, not only it is important to reflect on technologies' moral significance, but also to address their emerging and future oriented character. The book proposes an original approach to deal with the issue of "plausible" ethical evaluation of new technologies. Taking its start from current debates about Technology Assessment, the proposed solution emerges as a combination of theoretical and methodological insights from the fields of Philosophy of Technology, Science and Technology Studies and a normative justification based on pragmatist ethics. The book's main contribution is to engage a diverse and interdisciplinary audience (ethicists, philosophers, social scientists, technology assessment researchers and practitioners) in a reflection concerning the epistemological challenges that are associated to the endeavour of appraising the moral significance of emerging technologies in the attempt of democratically governing them. It brings together concepts and methodologies from different disciplines and shows their synergy in applying them to two specific case studies of emerging biomedical technologies.

This book is written to promote academic strategic management and envision future innovations for academic library resources, services and instructions in the digital age. It provides academic executives, consultants, instructors, IT specialists, librarians, LIS students, managers, trainers and other professionals with the latest information for developing trends of emerging technologies applied to student-centred and service-oriented academic learning environments. This book explores various fields where key emerging technologies may have great implications on academic library information technologies, academic library management, academic library information services, and academic library internal operations. Reflects most recent emerging technologies which might impact on library administrations, resources, services and instructions Draws a clear roadmap how and where to monitor emerging technologies which began to emerge under academic library environments Provides practical and realistic suggestions and solutions how to utilize emerging technologies in academic learning environments

Physical implementation of the memristor at industrial scale sparked the interest from various disciplines, ranging from physics, nanotechnology, electrical engineering, neuroscience, to intelligent robotics. As any promising new technology, it has raised hopes and questions; it is an extremely challenging task to live up to the high expectations and to devise revolutionary and feasible future applications for memristive devices. The possibility of gathering prominent scientists in the heart of the Silicon Valley given by the 2011 International Joint Conference on Neural Networks held in San Jose, CA, has offered us the unique opportunity of organizing a series of special events on the present status and future perspectives in neuromorphic memristor science. This book presents a selection of the remarkable contributions given by the leaders of the field and it may serve as inspiration and future reference to all researchers that want to explore the extraordinary possibilities given by this revolutionary concept.

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