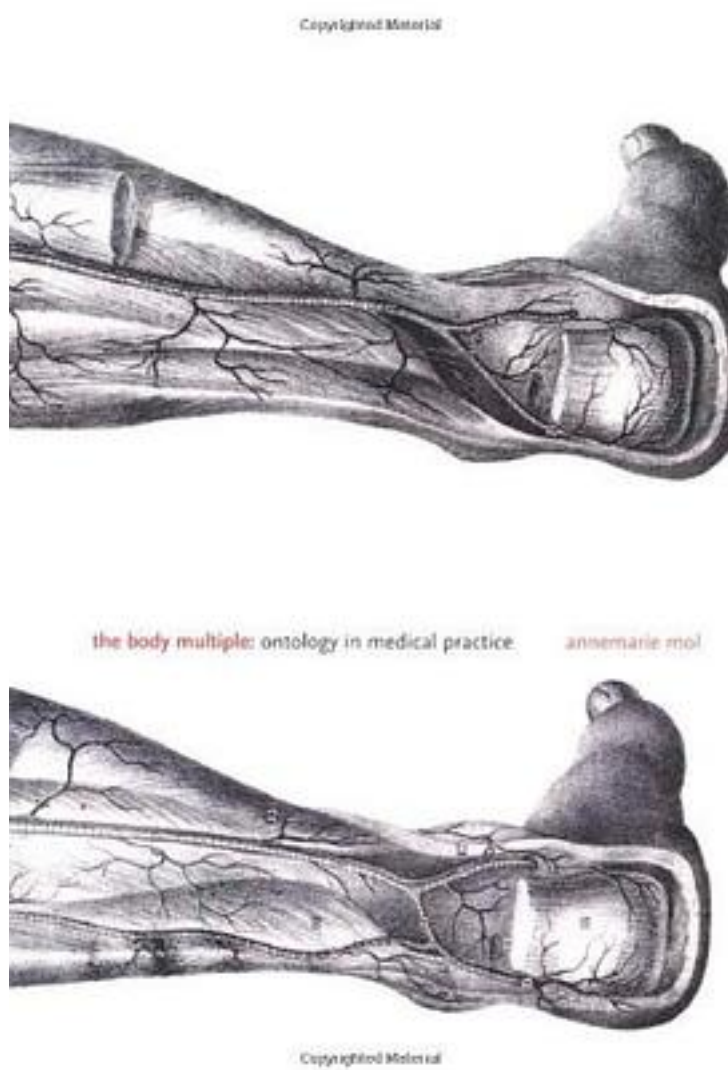


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The Body Multiple is an extraordinary ethnography of an ordinary disease. Drawing on fieldwork in a Dutch university hospital, Annemarie Mol looks at the day-to-day diagnosis and treatment of atherosclerosis. A patient information leaflet might describe atherosclerosis as the gradual obstruction of the arteries, but in hospital practice this one medical condition appears to be many other things as well. From one moment, place, apparatus, specialty, or treatment to the next, a slightly different "atherosclerosis" is being discussed, measured, observed, or stripped away. Mol demonstrates that this multiplicity does not imply fragmentation. Instead, the disease is made to cohere through a range of tactics including transporting forms and files, making images, holding case conferences, and conducting doctor-patient conversations. The Body Multiple juxtaposes two distinct texts. Alongside Mol's analysis of her ethnographic material - interviews with doctors and patients; observations of medical examinations, consultations, and operations - runs a parallel text in which she reflects on the relevant literature. Mol draws on medical anthropology, sociology, feminist theory, philosophy, and science and technology studies to reframe such issues as the disease-illness distinction, subject-object relations, boundaries, difference, situatedness, and ontology. In dialogue with one another, Mol's two texts meditate on the multiplicity of reality-in-practice. Presenting philosophical reflections on the body and medical practice through vivid storytelling, The Body Multiple will be important to those in medical anthropology, philosophy, and the social study of science, technology, and medicine.

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评论

绝对是今年看的最有帮助的书了，帮助我把研究框架搭建了起来。通过人类学民族志观察把一个哲学问题分析的非常深入，也非常简洁直白。搞哲学搞到这份上太让人感动了.....

很不错的书，简单易懂。习惯从practice入手，喜欢福柯又想跳出话语分析的人都值得一读。当然主要讲的是Latour的体系，特别是multiple ontologies这个话题。

Mol总是喜欢费特别大的劲儿分清其实现实生活中黏连在一起的事儿 看着真累... 这本比logic of care有诚意有野心 却还是太较真儿 不够超越不够inspiring

"hang together", distribution, mutual inclusion.

The ontology of a disease. 看到最后才能发现作者的思路还挺厉害。但也有so what之感

What's the *political* (if any) motive of using enactment and dropping performance or construction though? The design of methodology and positionality is even more interesting than the discussion of knowledge/practice and epistemology/ontology.

实验室的研究、临床诊断、治疗和病人体验呈现出的是完全不同的动脉粥样硬化，因而在具体实践中politics of who 的视角就需要转移到politics of what。在这个意义上单个疾病可以是“多样的”，身体也可以是“多样的”而不是多元的（一个器官可以引发某种疾病，而疾病在身体不同部位有不同表现，这些表现不是割裂的，但又自成一个“世界”，对不同的人意味着不同的本体论）。上下分离的排版实在难受，我已经尽力去理解了。然而给我的感受就是虽然似曾相识但也有点道理我竟无言以对。

Different atherosclerosis. 这章是挺有意思的例子，outpatient clinic & pathology的两种进路。enact metaphor. practicality of different objects. 关于用Latour理论阐发后ssk的人类学转向以及对福柯谱系学的发展还要再读。

挺有意思的书，写的也很清晰，就是让人忍不住想问到底啥是object?

atherosclerosis as an object的多重实践建立。身体与认同的现实如何通过应用在特定时间与地点下的技术而得以制造。很有启发，相关的理论体系线索还要多读。

虽然刚一碰见不是很喜欢这本书（可能是因为语言的运用吧）。但它确实打开了我对疾病的认知思路，也启发了我研究的课题。

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