

## **Going Out on a Limb: Enhancement, Ethics and Judaism**

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### **Abstract**

When is an intervention therapy and when an enhancement? Distinguishing these categories is ethically fraught, for it involves clarifying such slippery notions as baseline, normal/abnormal, and excellence. While we have new prowess to alter our bodies and minds, questions of enhancement are ancient. This presentation considers how one religious tradition—Judaism—wrestles with such questions and possibilities.