

	What counts as a good action?	What counts as a good action for a scientist?	How to encourage good actions rather than bad ones?
ARISTOTLE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An action that achieves the appropriate balance in the circumstances.</li> <li>• An action in which the agent is performing his/her function well. (For human beings, this is a <i>rational</i> action)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An action in which the scientist is performing his/her function well. (What is the function of the scientist?)</li> <li>• An action that achieves the appropriate balance in the scientific context.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Education, experience, and time.</li> <li>• Cultivate scientist's ability to find pleasure in activities that accord with his/her function as a scientist.</li> </ul>
MILL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An action that maximizes happiness (pleasure) and minimizes unhappiness (pain).</li> <li>• Each person's happiness is on equal footing in determining whether an action leads to an increase or decrease in happiness.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Same definition.</li> <li>• Is there something distinctive about what makes scientists happy or unhappy?</li> <li>• Need to balance happiness within the scientific community and happiness within the general population.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Actions that decrease the general happiness could be sanctioned (creating unhappiness for the agent).</li> <li>• Can you "teach" someone to recognize pleasure and pain? (If someone doesn't recognize them, can this be remedied?)</li> <li>• Is the general happiness necessarily a component of one's individual happiness?</li> </ul>
KANT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An action done from a maxim I could will to be a universal law.</li> <li>• An action done from duty (rather than mere inclination).</li> <li>• An action that does not undermine the rational capacity, whether in oneself or others.</li> <li>• An action that always recognizes others as ends, never as mere means.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Same definition.</li> <li>• Do scientists have special duties? (If so, what are they?)</li> <li>• Do certain aspects of scientific activity pose special risks to autonomy?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Appeal to the rationality of the agent (as there is something irrational in failing to see oneself bound by duty).</li> <li>• Appeal to the agent's desire for autonomy (as the maximum autonomy is achieved in a world where people recognize and act from duty).</li> </ul>