

Le relazioni animali/umani: teorie e questioni pratiche.

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I rapporti umani/non umani, tra etica e scienza

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Human / Non-human Relationships, between Ethics and Science

Abstract: Critical reflections on *Ethics and Animals*, by Federico Zuolo: an analysis of the relationship between ethics and science within the work, to evaluate the weight each one of them assumes, and which alternatives can be. Within and outside the Zuolo's essay, the scientific theses seem to be weak, both by admission of the author, and by the considerable distances that sometimes occur between exponents of different theories. Even the data examined, at least in some cases, could appear partial or contrasted by others, analogous. Once the uneven nature of the path that seeks to couple science and ethics is clarified, it is natural to ask whether it is really necessary to celebrate this marriage, or if the effects may prove to be counterproductive: if so, what would be the alternatives? What are the possible solutions?

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