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## The internet of bodies

### Description

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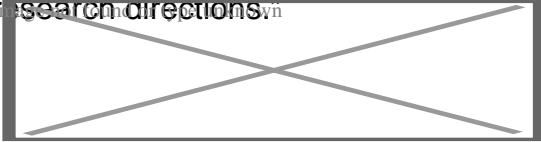
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Lee, M., Boudreaux, B., Chaturvedi, R., Romanosky, S., & Downing, B.. (2020). The Internet of Bodies: Opportunities, Risks, and Governance. The Internet of Bodies: Opportunities, Risks, and Governance

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"The work described in this report was conducted as part of a fellowship awarded by the rand corporation's center for global risk and security. this report describes emerging technologies, herein referred to as the internet of bodies; analyzes their benefits and risks; and suggests ways various stakeholders can balance those benefits and risks. this report should be of interest to the general public, internet of bodies and medical device makers, health-care providers, and policy decisionmakers. the research was conducted within the center for global risk and security between february 2019 and september 2019."

Makitalo, N., Flores-Martin, D., Berrocal, J., Garcia-Alonso, J., Ihantola, P., Ometov, A., ... Mikkonen, T. . (2020). The Internet of Bodies Needs a Human Data Model. IEEE Internet Computing

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"Today, creating innovative internet of bodies solutions requires manually gathering the needed information from an increasing number of services and personal devices. in this article, we tackle this challenge by presenting human data model-a programming framework for combining information from several sources, performing computations over that information to high-level abstractions, and then providing these abstractions to proactively schedule computer-human interactions."

Boddington, G.. (2021). The Internet of Bodies—alive, connected and collective: the virtual physical future of our bodies and our senses

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“This paper is going to discuss, what will be called, ‘the internet of bodies’. our physical and virtual worlds are blending and shifting our understanding of three key areas: (1) our identities are diversifying, as they become hyper-enhanced and multi-sensory; (2) our collaborations are co-created, immersive and connected; (3) our innovations are diverse and inclusive. it is proposed that our bodies have finally become the interface.”

Blake, M. B., Kandasamy, N., Dustdar, S., & Liu, X.. (2020). Internet of Bodies/Internet of Sports. IEEE Internet Computing

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“As healthcare solutions and augmented monitoring of human mobility overlap with the new concepts of the internet of things, an emerging area of interest leverages sensor networks that monitor personal health data and human activity. this special issue presents research innovation that address advances in this evolving paradigm of internet of bodies/internet of sports.”

Ray, P. P.. (2020). Intelligent Ingestibles: Future of Internet of Body. IEEE Internet Computing

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“In this article, we first provide the basics of ingestibles. then, we provide a detailed survey on ingestibles as per their applicability in leveraging gastrointestinal disease detection, management, and treatment. next, we show how ingestibles could be related with the concept of internet of body. lastly, we discuss various key challenges and future directions to mitigate these issues.”

EI-Khoury, M., & Arikan, C. L.. (2021). From the internet of things toward the internet of bodies: Ethical and legal considerations. Strategic Change

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"The proliferation of the internet of things makes the gray area of ethics darker and lighter simultaneously, and the law is currently not construed to accompany the steady progression toward the internet of bodies. the internet of things is challenging the traditional construct of ownership, and users are progressively losing control over their iot devices. the internet of bodies is the awaiting new normal where human bodies and minds form a connected network pervaded by the internet. the integrity of human bodies will rely more and more on the internet. in this context, the future calls for a balance between divergent interests of appealing technological progress and vital human safety."

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