

## Review of: "Foucault 40 years later – an intimate history"

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In the article, the author is drawing on personal experience that contributed to reconstructing the impact of one of the most important philosophers and psychologists of the 20th century, Michel Foucault. One of the most useful contributions of the article lies in its discussion of Foucault within the field of psychology. The relationship between the French philosopher and psychoanalysis was controversial. But, as the author claims Foucault did not criticize psychoanalysis in general, but also mainstream psychoanalytic practice.

The article draws an interesting map of influences on Foucault's thinking, such as Marx, Weber, Freud, Darwin and, obviously, Nietzsche. The article underlines the strong influence of Darwin on Nietzsche (e.g. *On the Genealogy of Morals*). Translated Dawin's perspective to social studies, history does not have a linear evolution but rather a contradictory and random development. As the author affirmed, this is one of the key ideas in the genealogical method carried out by Focualt. Perhaps, the author could go deeper into the influence of other authors alluded to in the article, such as Weber. This path allows him to analyze a central concept in Foucault's thinking that is hardly mentioned in the article, power. This concept is really a turning point in the French philosopher's theoretical framework. On the basis of this concept, the author could establish different moments or stages in the French philosopher. The article highlights an interesting link between personal experience and the reading of Foucault, but should distinguish the different periods in Foucault's life.

In the last part, the article points out the dangers of Artificial Intelligence (AI). However, the authors only refer to the subject. From Foucault's point of view, what kind of analysis could be suggested? What could be the impact of A.I. on the field of psychology from Foucault's perspective? Perhaps, the author could expand his reflections on this point.

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