

Review of: "Straightening the 'Value-Laden Turn': Minimising the Influence of Values in Science"

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"Straightening the 'Value-Laden Turn': Minimising the Influence of Values in Science" is an interesting and promising piece on the role of values in the scientific enterprise. I have not much to add to what [Stamenkovic](#) writes; however, I find that the author's claim that the primary goal of science is the pursuit of truth (p. 6 of the PDF version) is far too strong even for a scientific realist, nowadays. I would also suggest him to read Bas van Fraassen's famous book *The Scientific Image* (1980) and William Seager's paper "Ground Truth and Virtual Reality: Hacking vs. Van Fraassen" (1995) on the distinction between acceptance and belief and especially about the scientists acting 'as if' a particular hypothesis were true (van Fraassen talks about an 'immersion in the theoretical world picture'; Seager about some sort of 'virtual reality').