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* How ethical is the pursuit of cryonics? What current issues deserve more funding and attention than cryonic care?
* “A recurring argument perceives cryonics as a selfish self-conservation act, when money could be used far better for charitable purpose” (Stan 2016).

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* In what ways will the concept of death be redefined – if at all – by scientific and technological progress?
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* How does the cryonics movement relate to death anxiety and religion?
* Timestamps: 5:00 to 5:27

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* How might the cryonics movement be harmful to society?
* Timestamps: 11:42 to 12:12