

Nanopublication – Foot's ethics: rooting moral judgment in human nature, from trolley cases to double effect

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This is a Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy entry surveying Philippa Foot's metaethics, moral rationalism, applied ethics (trolley problem, doctrine of double effect) and late ethical naturalism; the ideamorphism framework's vocabulary of emission, wave, overture, codex and diffraction targets artistic creation and reception, and has no point of contact with a philosophical exposition concerned with argument, rational justification and normative truth-claims – forcing the two together would misdescribe both.

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Overall verdict: *DECLINED:no-purchase – taxonomy of the August 2026 pass, predating the move to relational verdicts. Kept as metadata: the gap between the two forms is data, not residue. This reading’s judgement is in the grid above.*

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EPISTEMIC PROFILE

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Epistemic status	no purchase
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