

Correction

Correction: Hennekes, B. From the Philosopher's Stone to AI: Epistemologies of the Renaissance and the Digital Age. *Philosophies* 2025, 10, 79

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Missing Citation

In the original publication [1], the following reference: Ref. [1] “Zajko, R. Technocratic mysticism: The new priesthood of AI developers. *Sociol. Rev.* **2023**, *71*, 15–32” was incorrect. It has been replaced with the correct reference: “Zajko, M. Conservative AI and Social Inequality: Conceptualizing Alternatives to Bias Through Social Theory. *AI Soc.* **2021**, *36*, 1047–1056”. The citation has now been inserted in Section 3.1 and should read: Furthermore, the concept of “technocratic mysticism” can be connected to Zajko’s discussion on social inequality in AI, which highlights the hierarchical structures embedded within AI research and development [20].

In the original publication [1], the following reference: Ref. [5] “Iszler, S. Automating expertise: AI’s role in scientific research and knowledge production. *Sci. Public Policy* **2024**, *51*, 243–259” was incorrect. It has been replaced with the correct reference: “Musslick, S.; Bartlett, L.K.; Chandramouli, S.H.; Dubova, M.; Gobet, F.; Griffiths, T.L.; Hullman, J.; King, R.D.; Kutz, J.N.; Lucas, C.G.; et al. Automating the Practice of Science: Opportunities, Challenges, and Implications. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* **2025**, *122*, e2401238121. <https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.2401238121>”.

In the original publication [1], the following reference: Ref. [21] “Delventhal, M. AI and economic decision-making: A case study in financial forecasting. *J. Econ. Perspect.* **2024**, *38*, 102–118” was incorrect. It has been replaced with the following: “Parkes, D.C.; Wellman, M.P. Economic Reasoning and Artificial Intelligence. *Science* **2015**, *349*, 267–272. <https://doi.org/10.1126/science.aaa8403>”.

In the original publication [1], the following reference: Ref. [33] “Soranzo, A. The cognitive mechanisms of mystical experiences: Bridging esotericism and modern neuroscience. *J. Conscious. Stud.* **2023**, *30*, 89–105” was incorrect. It has been replaced with the following: “van Elk, M.; Aleman, A. Brain Mechanisms in Religion and Spirituality: An Integrative Predictive Processing Framework. *Neurosci. Biobehav. Rev.* **2017**, *73*, 359–378. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neubiorev.2016.12.031>”.

In the original publication [1], the Ref. [2] ‘Don’t Fear AI: Used Well, It Can Empower Us All.’ was attributed to Clifford M. The correct name of the author of this article is Reid Hoffman (Hoffman R.).

Text Correction

There was an error in the original publication [1]. The sentence incorrectly read as follows:



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“Soranzo’s research on mystical experiences suggests that esoteric encounters—whether religious, symbolic, or technologically induced—share cognitive characteristics that enhance their perceived significance [33].”

A correction has been made to Section 4.4, Paragraph 3.

The corrected version reads as follows:

“Research on mystical experiences indicates that esoteric encounters—whether religious, symbolic, or technologically induced—share cognitive characteristics that contribute to their felt significance, aligning with recent neuroscientific models of brain mechanisms underlying spirituality and mystical phenomena [33].”

There was an error in the original publication [1]. The sentence incorrectly cited one citation. To remove the citation, a correction has been made to Section 1, Paragraph 1.

The corrected paragraph reads as follows:

“The influence of esoteric traditions on the scientific revolution has long been overlooked due to the dominance of Whig historiography, which privileges linear narratives of progress and rationality.”

The authors state that the scientific conclusions are unaffected. This correction was approved by the Academic Editor. The original publication has also been updated.

References

With this correction, the order of some references has been adjusted accordingly. The authors state that the scientific conclusions are unaffected. This correction was approved by the Academic Editor. The original publication has also been updated.

Reference

1. Hennekes, B. From the Philosopher’s Stone to AI: Epistemologies of the Renaissance and the Digital Age. *Philosophies* **2025**, *10*, 79. [[CrossRef](#)]

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