Common sense among artificial intelligence: Reconstructing a humanity within medicine and technology

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Dr Ihrig explores the intersection of medicine, technology and humanism. At their epicentre, he offers, lies a fulcrum upon which healthcare can reconnect to a broader sense of the human condition beyond its own or drift further away from what it means to truly care for other human beings.

Challenging our beliefs about driving forces – conscious and unconscious – within the linear algorithmic world of medicine, Dr Ihrig offers we have the choice of reclaiming or losing our humanity. Influenced more and more by technologic advances, fear of life’s ambiguity and socio-economic pressures, we face the atrocity of undermining philosophical principles of non-maleficence and beneficence.

Dr Ihrig urges us to seek new ways of thinking to elevate what is possible in healthcare and beyond by deepening our understanding of what it means to be a caregiver in the modern age.