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Mortality Beliefs Distorted: Magnifying the Risk of Dying Young

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We explore mortality beliefs by eliciting individual-level belief distributions for participants' remaining lifespans. We find simultaneous great pessimism (about dying at < 50 years) and great optimism (about dying at > 100 years) compared to demographic data. This has important implications for a range consumer behavior including intertemporal choice.

Can the Color Value Affect Perceptions on Homosexual Images?

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The current research examines how can color value affects perceptions on homosexual images. Our research aims to evaluate how an increased in color value results to a morally upright perception on homosexual images. A homosexual image on lighter tone yielded a positive attitude than that on a darker tone.

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Lack of Control and Preference for Tangible Products

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We show consumers cope with lack of control by choosing tangible products over intangible counterparts. In three studies we show individual differences in desirability of control predicted choices of tangible products over intangible counterparts and participants who were made to feel lack of control chose tangible products over intangible counterparts.

Pride and Dishonesty-Why does Authentic Pride Lead to More Dishonesty?

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This paper focuses on authentic pride and hubristic pride as antecedents to consumer dishonesty and has both theoretical and empirical implications. We further examine the moderating role of cognitive resources in influencing pride effects on dishonesty. We demonstrate that it is moral disengagement that mediates the found effect.

Buyers Are More Impatient Than Sellers: The Timing of Peak Influences Satisfaction in Experiential Purchase

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Previous research demonstrated that the later the peak occurs the greater happiness people feel (Baumgartner et. al. 1997; Fredrickson and Kahneman 1993). We proposed that experience-buyer becomes more impatient than experience-seller while waiting for the delayed peak of an experience due to varying construal levels.