

# David Chalmers

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Anyway, there is a lot of really interesting work going on in the neuroscience and psychology of consciousness, and I would love to see philosophers become more closely involved with this.

~David Chalmers

Consciousness poses the most baffling problems in the science of the mind. There is nothing that we know more intimately than conscious experience, but there is nothing that is harder to explain.

~David Chalmers

How does the water of the brain turn into the wine of consciousness?

~David Chalmers

People have managed to avert their eyes and hope for the best.

~David Chalmers

What does it mean, exactly, for a given system to be a "neural correlate of consciousness"?

~David Chalmers

Why should physical processing give rise to a rich inner life at all? It seems objectively unreasonable that it should, and yet it does.

~David Chalmers

Studying consciousness tells us more about how the world is fundamentally strange. I think we have a few revolutions to go yet before we get to the bottom of it.

~David Chalmers

There's certainly nothing original about the observation that conscious experience poses a hard problem.

~David Chalmers

A philosopher might find the general work unsophisticated, and

scientists are often bemused by esoteric talk of zombies, supervenience, and possible worlds.

~David Chalmers

My interests started about in science and in mathematics, I always thought I was going to be a mathematician.

~David Chalmers

It probably helps that my background is in the sciences and I can speak the scientists' language.

~David Chalmers

Actually, I think most people accept the existence of qualia.

~David Chalmers

Although I'm Australian, I find myself much more in sympathy with the Austrian version!

~David Chalmers

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