

# Science and Christianity: Belligerents or Brothers?

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lecture by



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Ian Hutchinson is a plasma physicist and professor of nuclear science and engineering at Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). He and his research group are international pioneers exploring the generation and confinement of plasmas hotter than the sun's center; experimenting on a world-leading magnetic confinement device they designed and built. The research aims to understand how to produce practical energy from controlled nuclear fusion reactions, the power source of the stars.

In addition to authoring 200 research articles and a textbook about plasma physics, Hutchinson has written and spoken widely on the relationship between Science and Christianity. His recent book *Monopolizing Knowledge* explores how the error of scientism arose, how it undermines reason as well as religion, and how it feeds today's culture wars and an excessive reliance on technology.

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