

Perspectives On "Proving" That Pleasure is "The Good"

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1. goods (as referenced above) are things that produce pleasure. That is our definition of a good in this context.
2. We agree to stop referring to pleasure as a good. The Good, if you really must. Never a good. Please?

1. Within the context of Epicureanism, "goods" are instrumental to producing pleasure. Agreed. In other philosophies, the goods are ends in and out themselves. In Stoicism, virtue is "the highest good." That's what leads me to insisting that pleasure is not only "a good" but "the good" among "goods."

1a. I'm going to have to go back and see the specific words that Epicurus used when talking about prudence and pleasure and their being "goods."

2. See #1.