

"All Good And Evil Consists In Sensation" - Comparison of Translations

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I just realized that the good/pleasure and evil/pain equivalency is stated in Cicero's De Finibus with Torquatus speaking:

Quote

Some members of our school however would refine upon this doctrine; these say that it is not enough for the judgment of good and evil to rest with the senses; the facts that pleasure is in and for itself desirable and pain in and for itself to be avoided can also be grasped by the intellect and the reason.

That seems to me to underscore what I've contended here. We judge good and evil in light of the reaction of pleasure and pain, respectively.