

# Sabine Hossenfelder - Why the Multiverse Is Religion

**Post by “Mathitis Kipouros” of July 29, 2021 at 4:15 PM**

Yes, she has a very interesting channel in YouTube, I encourage you to see it. I'm pretty sure she'd enjoy learning about EP.

Exactly that comment about Plato made me think it would be welcome around here. And it got me to see another video of her about the multiverse, which also should fit around here somewhere, because she makes the association of such speculations (the multiverse) with religion. Here it is:

[https://youtu.be/-dSua\\_PUyfM](https://youtu.be/-dSua_PUyfM)

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**Post by “Cassius” of July 29, 2021 at 4:35 PM**

OMG she is OUTSTANDING! Thank you again Camotero!!

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**Post by “Don” of July 29, 2021 at 7:37 PM**

Quote

"Not wrong but superfluous"

That's a great quote. 😊

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**Post by “Cassius” of July 29, 2021 at 9:14 PM**

[Bryan](#) I hope you are doing well! I know your interest in physics - have you run into Sabine Hossenfelder and do you have any opinion of her?

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## Post by “Don” of July 29, 2021 at 10:55 PM

Not finding any link between Epicurus and Hossenfelder, but saw this:

[Physicist Sabine Hossenfelder Fears Theorists, Lacking Data, May Succumb to "Wishful Thinking"](#)

Blogger & “Bee”; Hossenfelder is not afraid to sting her fellow physicists.  
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and thought this was a great quote, too:

Quote

**Hossenfelder:** Religious explanation is an oxymoron.

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## Post by “Cassius” of July 29, 2021 at 11:12 PM

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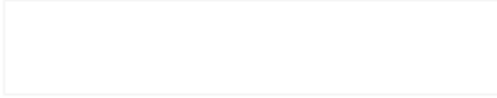
## Post by “Cassius” of July 29, 2021 at 11:14 PM

"Bee" - Ha!

And Bingo THIS is what I was looking for from her:

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**Horgan:** Steven Weinberg recently told me that science will never explain why there is something rather than nothing.



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**Hossenfelder:** I agree with him. It's not a scientific question, or at least I don't see how to make a scientific question out of it. Unless of course you want to reinterpret "nothing" as "quantum vacuum" as Lawrence Krauss does. I would argue though that even a quantum vacuum is still something.

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## Post by "Patrikios" of May 19, 2025 at 11:56 AM

### [Quote from Cassius](#)

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It appears from this interview with Hossenfelder, that she does read philosophy. Might be interesting to just ask her about her views on Epicurus focus on natural science.

**Horgan:** Do you find philosophy useful?

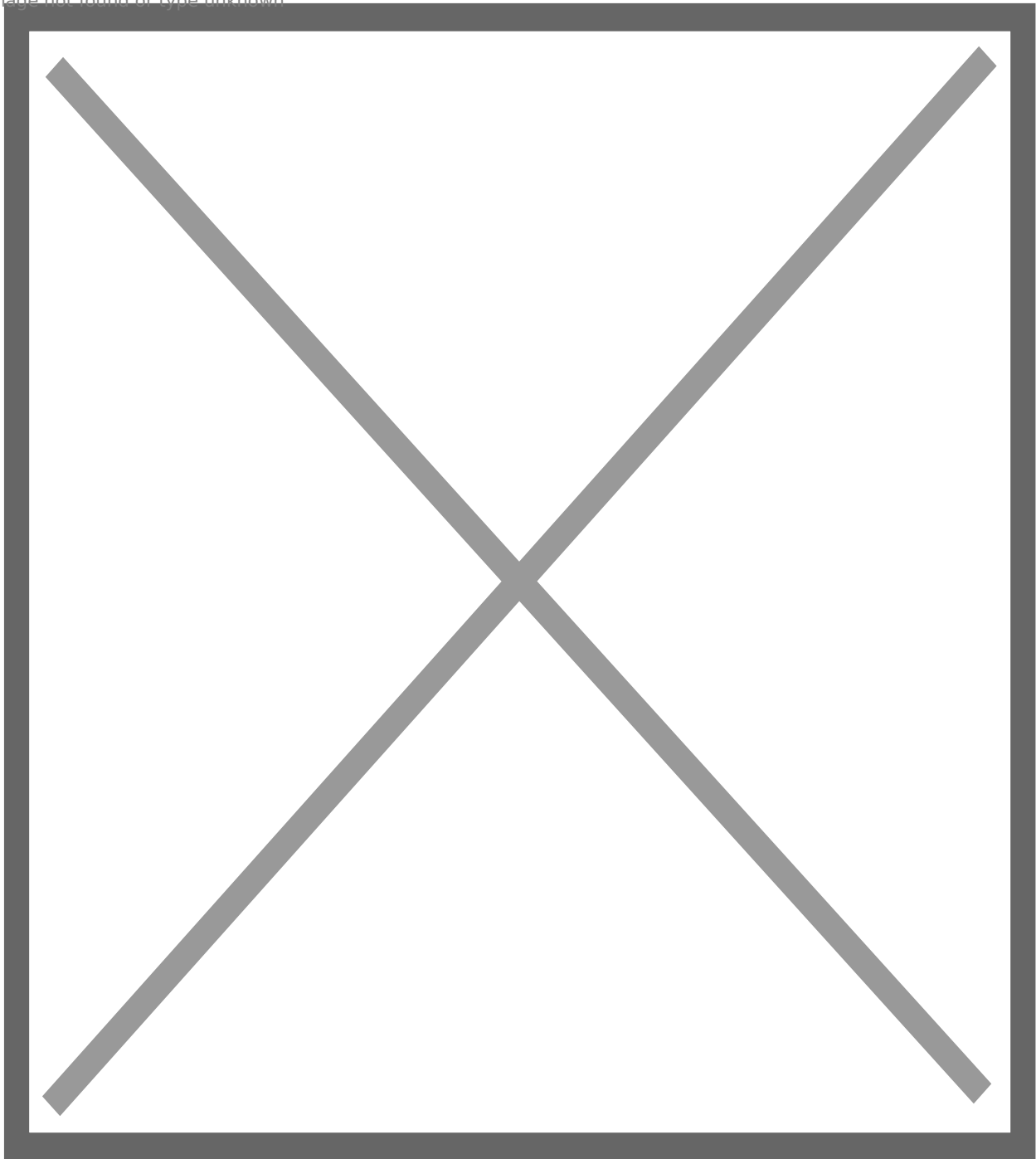
**Hossenfelder:** Sometimes. I find philosophy useful to understand what it is that we really do in science, or at least the different ways to think about it. I would classify myself as an instrumentalist, but not all my colleagues are. And it's good to know what their attitude is because it helps me put their motivations and interests into context.

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## Post by "Rolf" of May 19, 2025 at 2:58 PM

Interesting video, but I doubt she'd align herself with Epicurus - she's a hard determinist.

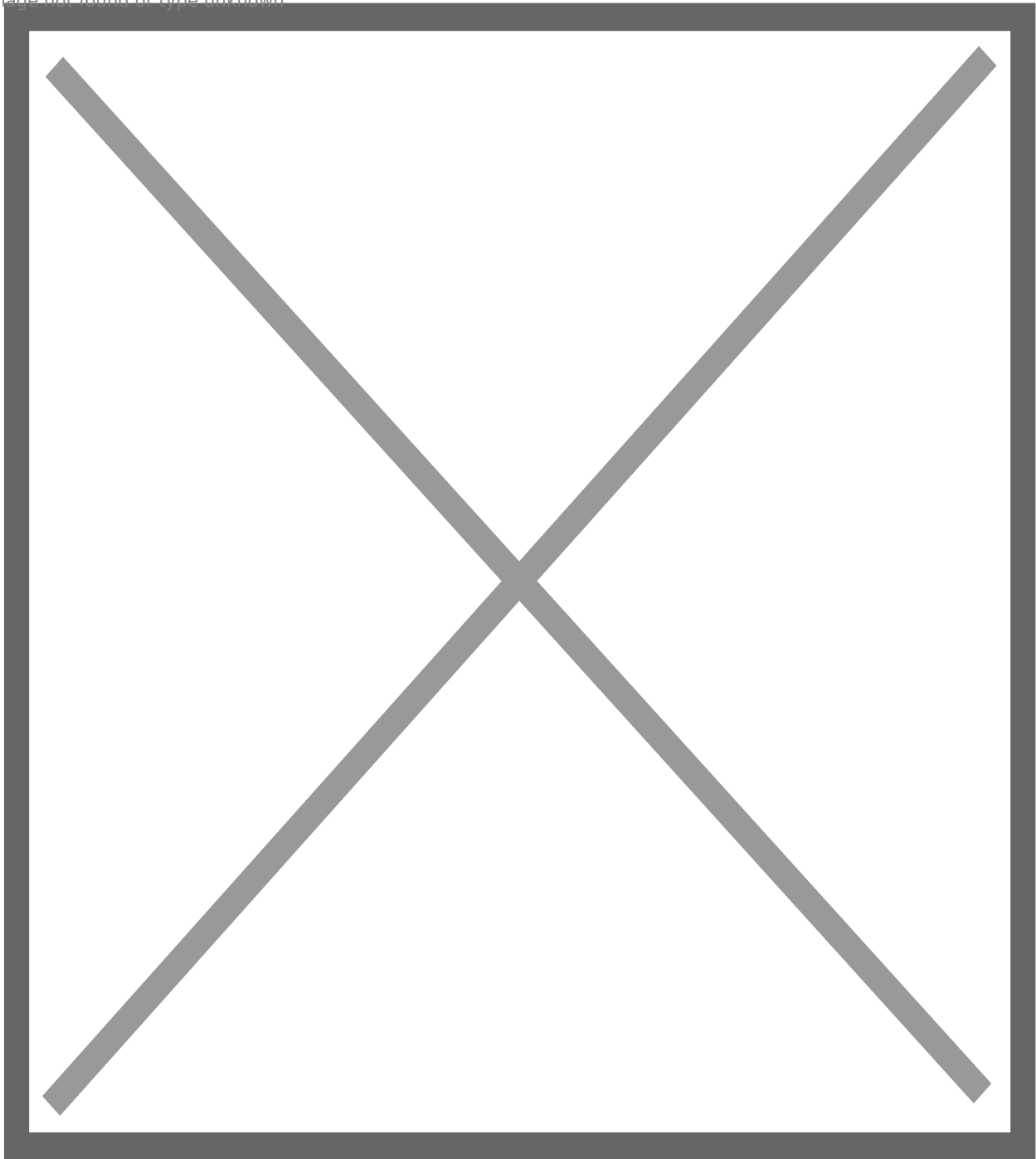
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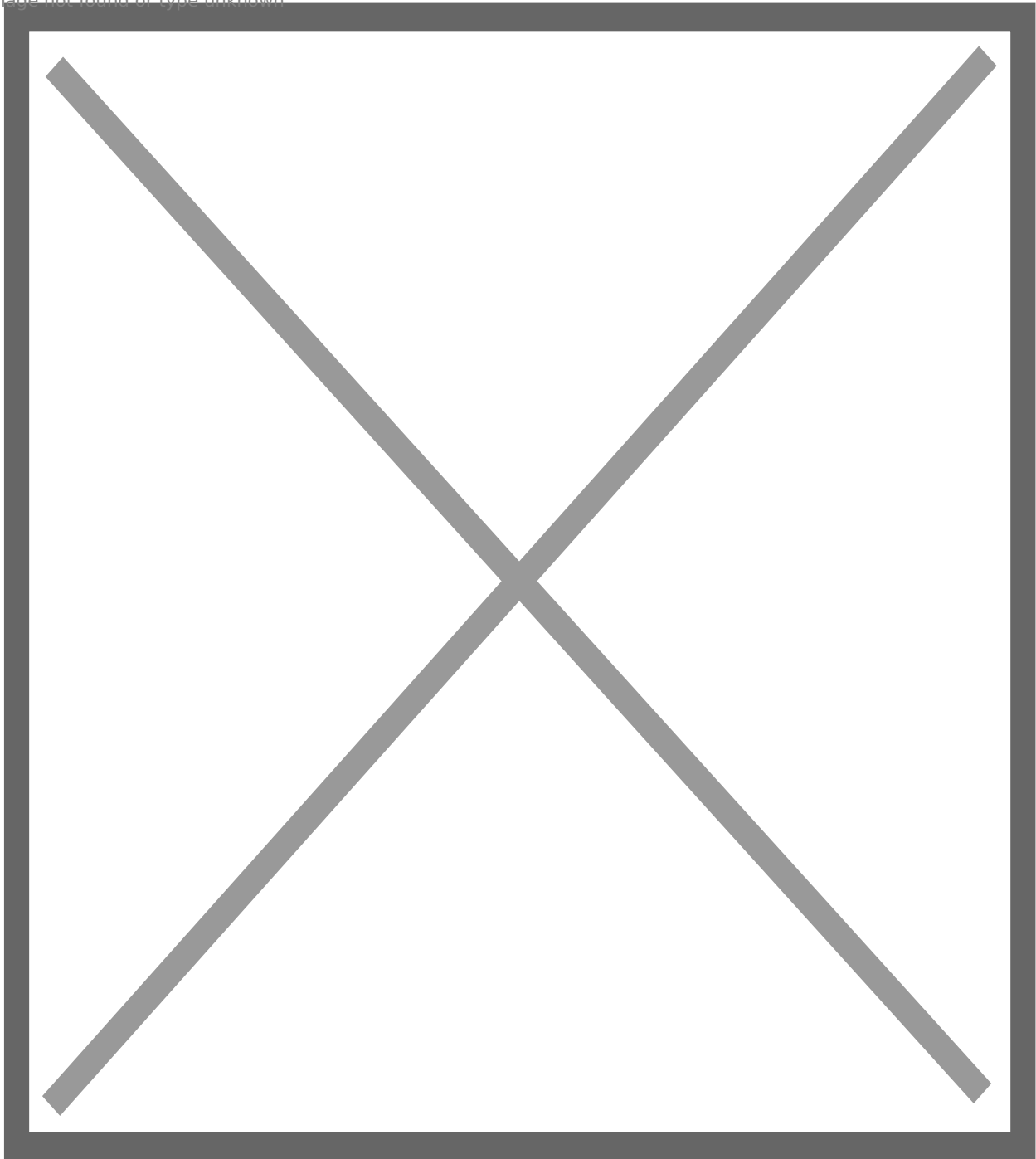
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**Post by “Eikadistes” of May 19, 2025 at 3:39 PM**

I wonder if she believes that the Universe, *itself*, is responsible for creating her videos.