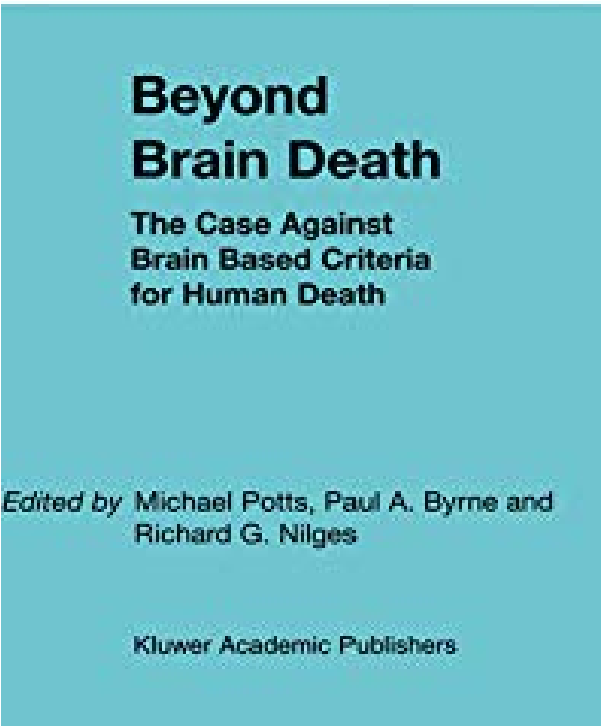


# Beyond Brain Death: The Case Against Brain Based Criteria for Human Death



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