

Basic Income Experiments

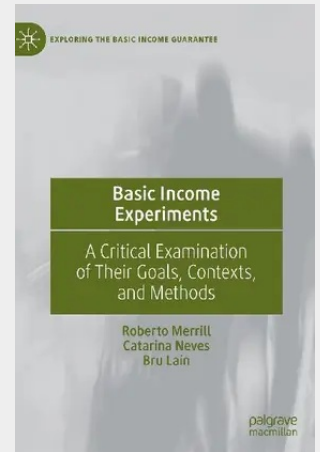
A Critical Examination of Their Goals, Contexts, and Methods

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