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narratives that emerged during the COVID-19 pandemic, and what they conceal and reveal with respect to socio-political struggles. She applies necropolitical and biopolitical perspectives to examine the co-occurrence of projects of life and death to better understand the hierarchization of bodies.

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