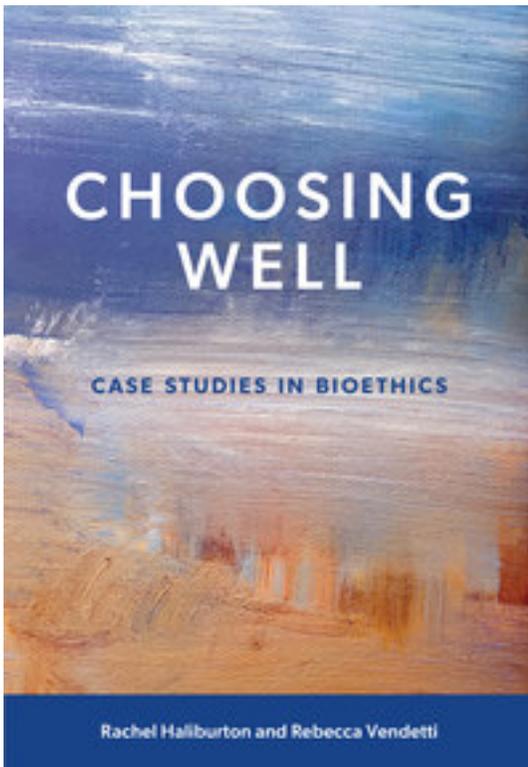


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- provides a framework for case study analysis, along with sample analyses of three full case studies using the DECIDED approach

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