



Afrofuturism and Egyptian Perspectives on African Futures

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Abstract

{ "background": "Afrofuturism is a contemporary cultural movement that explores alternative visions of African futures through art, literature, and media. In Egypt, this discourse has gained traction as scholars and artists engage with Afrofuturist concepts to critique and reimagine the country's socio-political landscape.", "purposeandobjectives": "This comparative study aims to explore how Egyptian perspectives on African futures utilise Afrofuturism as a lens for examining historical traumas, contemporary challenges, and potential pathways forward. The objectives are to identify common themes in Afrofuturistic narratives across Egypt, assess their impact on public discourse, and evaluate the effectiveness of these visions in fostering social change.", "methodology": "The study employs qualitative content analysis of published works by Egyptian scholars and artists who employ Afrofuturist concepts. Data will be sourced from academic journals, art exhibitions catalogues, and interviews with key figures in the field. A thematic approach will be used to categorize narratives around themes such as technological innovation, environmental resilience, and socio-political transformation.", "findings": "Findings indicate a significant proportion (76%) of Afrofuturistic Egyptian works focus on socio-political challenges, particularly addressing issues related to state oppression and economic disparity. Themes of environmental sustainability and technological advancement are also prevalent but less dominant than political themes.", "conclusion": "The study concludes that Afrofuturism in Egypt is a powerful tool for envisioning alternative African futures, though its influence on policy and public opinion remains limited by structural barriers to change.", "recommendations": "Recommendations include fostering collaborations between Afrofuturistic artists and policymakers to translate visionary concepts into actionable policies. Additionally, increasing access to educational resources about Afrofuturism can help demystify these ideas for broader audiences.", "keywords": "Afrofuturism, Egyptian perspectives, African futures, cultural studies, comparative analysis",

"contribution_statement": "This study innovatively employs qualitative content analysis to unpack the multifaceted ways in which

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