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ABSTRACT

Innovations in communications, space, medicine, and other technologies are sure to have an impact on the world of tomorrow and the way we view that world. This guide to the literature on future technology is not intended to be a comprehensive bibliography. It is designed to provide the reader with a set of resources that can be used to focus on the topic. The document lists the subject headings used by the Library of Congress in cataloging information on science and technology. It also contains citations of materials categorized as: (1) brief introductions; (2) basic texts; (3) additional titles; (4) handbooks and encyclopedias; (5) other bibliographies; (6) conference proceedings; (7) government publications; (8) abstracting and indexing services; (9) journal articles; (10) technical reports; and (11) additional sources of information. (TW)

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SCOPE: Once the sole territory of fortune tellers and soothsayers, the future is now open to contemplation by everyone. Innovations in communications, space, medicine, and other technologies are sure to have an impact on the world of tomorrow and the way we view that world. Scientists, businesses and governments project future developments by extrapolating from current trends, using methods that range from simple, informed hunches to complex computer analysis. In this way, science fiction becomes science reality.

This guide is intended for those who wish to review what authors in various fields have to say about future technology. Not intended as a comprehensive bibliography, this guide is designed--as the name of the series implies--to put the reader "on target."

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