https://www.lesswrong.com/w/hedonium

## **Scratchpad**

Yaakov wanted to replace the LW tag with this

Hedonium is a substance optimized to experience as much pleasure as possible all the time, without regard for things like variety, consciousness, good taste, or interaction with the world. While a few people argue that filling the universe with hedonium would be good, most people think it would be bad, and hedonium is used as a thought experiment to illustrate what could go wrong if a superintelligent AI ended up with overly simple goals like "maximize happiness".