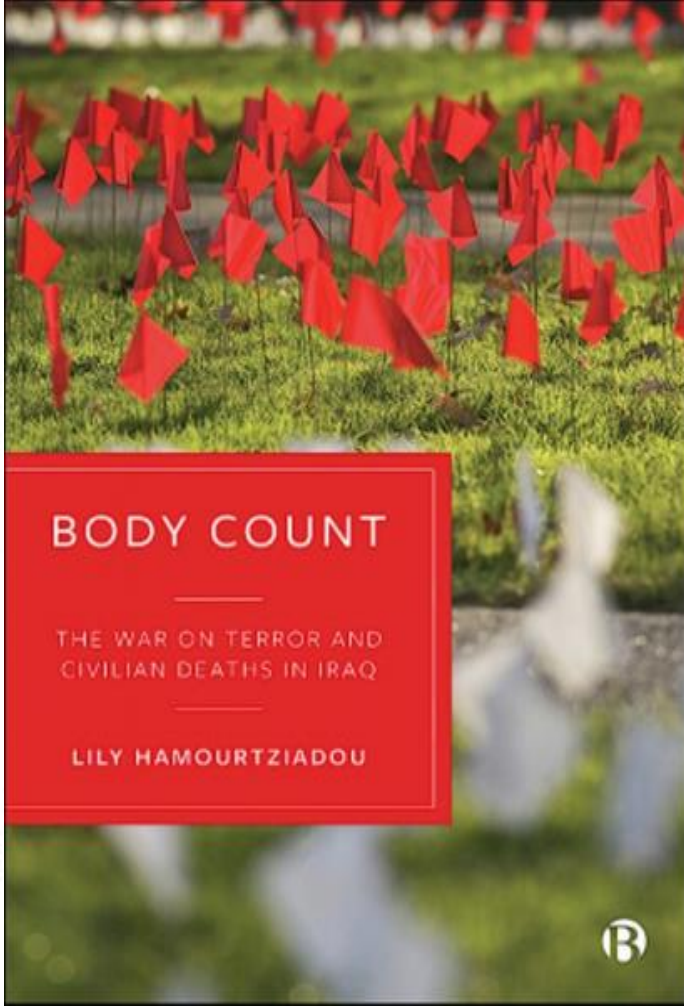




Champions for Peace or War?

Western media approaches to the wars in Iraq, Ukraine and Gaza

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The coverage of -allegedly- much-needed, urgent Western resistance against Russia's aggression in Ukraine quickly became the main theme of Western broadcasts in 2022. The character of the coverage showed that how a war is covered, whether civilians are seen as victims/heroes or as collateral damage, whether refugees are deemed worthy of support or suspect, and whether the victims of aggression are judged as deserving of assistance, depends on the racial background of its subjects. At the same time, while heavily immersed in the 'cult of Western values', Western media displayed a complete lack of concern for people's rights to freedom, sovereignty, equality and justice, when it came to Israel's war on Gaza, termed 'Israel's war on Hamas'. Since the start of the latest Israeli assault on Palestinians -one of the swiftest ethnic cleansing efforts in history – Western media have published unsubstantiated claims, provided justification for Israel's war crimes and refrained from reporting the heartbreaking human toll, in a textbook case of 'coloniser's journalism', similar to what we have been seeing in the coverage of the Iraq wars since 2003.

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