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## C.B MacPherson's Theory of Democracy

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### ABSTRACT

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Emergence of democratic theories and practices has been a long and laborious course. Crawford Brough MacPherson was a Canadian political scientist and philosopher who put forth his political philosophy in the form of a theory called "possessive individualism". He joined London School of Economics under the academic supervision of Harold J Laski, the prominent political philosopher who propounded a pluralist-marxist theory of the state. Laski's tutelage very deeply influenced MacPherson's own thoughts and philosophies. MacPherson made significant contributions to the realm of political science. He is considered to be one of the greatest Canadian Political thinkers and philosophers. However, his work and projects are often not discussed at a widespread level. This article tries to analyse MacPherson's project and work. MacPherson's Project can be summarized as a philosophy that wanted a revision of the liberal-democratic theory, as it had developed from the time of Locke and Hobbes. He was greatly influenced by Marx's socialist theories and wanted to make the liberal-democratic theory more "democratic" while saving the part of liberalism that is lost in the capitalist system.