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Politics and emotions in Egypt during the revolutionary moment and it's aftermath

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Whereas the 25 January revolution in Egypt has been intensively covered academically, the role of emotions and affect in mass mobilization has not gotten the attention it deserves.

I attempt to address this gap and explore the role of affect and emotions in the Egyptian revolution and its aftermath while constantly employing a gendered lens to examine the creation of new political subjectivities and gender dynamics.

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