1. Record Nr. UNINA9910254525803321 Autore Ernst Edzard Titolo Homeopathy - The Undiluted Facts: Including a Comprehensive A-Z Lexicon / / by Edzard Ernst Pubbl/distr/stampa Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Springer,, 2016 **ISBN** 3-319-43592-2 Edizione [1st ed. 2016.] 1 online resource (X, 151 p. 27 illus., 18 illus. in color.) Descrizione fisica 610 Disciplina Soggetti Complementary medicine Medicine Health Health psychology Health economics Complementary & Alternative Medicine Popular Science in Medicine and Health Health Psychology **Health Economics** Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references. Part I: The Facts of the Matter -- Introduction -- Definition and Main Nota di contenuto Principles of Homeopathy -- Myths about Homeopathy -- Current Popularity, Acceptance, and Regulation of Homeopathy -- History of Homeopathy -- Different Types of Homeopathy and Homeopaths --The Patients of Homeopaths -- Homeopathy as a Criticism of Conventional Medicine -- Scientific Evidence -- Spurious Arguments for and Counter-Arguments against Homeopathy -- Part II: Lexicon of Homeopathy. Sommario/riassunto This book traces the genesis, principles and practice of homeopathy. and discusses the reasons for its enduring popularity. Two hundred years ago, medicine had little to offer except blood letting and the administration of violent purgatives – practices which shortened the

course of illness by hastening the death of the patient. Largely in

reaction to what he correctly saw as the brutality and ineffectiveness of

the medicine of his day, the eighteenth century German physician Samuel Hahnemann developed a system of therapeutics that he termed homeopathy. Ironically, while modern medicine has changed beyond recognition, homeopathy, with its roots in alchemy and metaphysics, continues to be practiced precisely as it was in Hahnemann's day. Readers of this book will enjoy the story of homeopathy and its almost magical attraction, whilst learning much from the authors' rational and scientific discussion of the biological, chemical and psychological questions that this treatment raises.