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Sommario/riassunto This book argues that neuroscience, evolutionary psychology, and

behavioral economics often function as a political ideology

masquerading as a new science. In looking at works by Antonio

Damasio, Steven Pinker, Richard Thaler, Cas Sunstein, and John Tooby, Robert Samuels undertakes a close reading of the new brain sciences, and by turning to the works of Freud and Lacan, offers a counter-discourse to these new emerging sciences. He argues that an unintentional political manipulation of scientific thinking serves to

repress the psychoanalytic conception of the unconscious and sexuality

as it reinforces neoliberalism and promotes the drugging of

discontent. This innovative book is intended for those interested in science, psychoanalysis, and politics and offers a new definition of