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Sommario/riassunto	Since publication of the initial version of <i>Plagues &amp; Poxes</i> in 1987, which had the optimistic subtitle "The Rise and Fall of Epidemic Disease," the rise of new diseases such as AIDS and the deliberate modification and weaponization of diseases such as anthrax have changed the way we perceive infectious disease. With major

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