1. Record Nr. UNINA9910453554203321 Autore Norman Robert A. <1955-> The blue man and other stories of the skin / / Robert A. Norman Titolo Pubbl/distr/stampa Berkeley, California:,: University of California Press,, 2014 ©2014 **ISBN** 0-520-95250-2 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (xv, 138 pages) 616.5 Disciplina Soggetti Skin - Diseases Human beings - Skin - Diseases Skin - Care and hygiene Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inalese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Frontmatter -- CONTENTS -- Preface -- Acknowledgments -- PART ONE. OUR VITAL SKIN -- PART TWO. LIVING IN OUR SKIN -- Conclusion: The Future of Our Skin -- Glossary -- Bibliography Written by a leading dermatologist, The Blue Man and Other Stories of Sommario/riassunto the Skin provides a compelling and accessible introduction to the life of our largest organ, while also recounting the author's experiences with memorable patients he has treated who suffer from mysterious skin conditions. Robert Norman begins by highlighting the qualities of the skin, tracing the history of its conditions and diseases, then examining the cultural, social and psychological impact of both color and irregularity. The book also features an absorbing collection of stories about some of his most intriguing patients: from a man whose skin mysteriously turned blue, to a hypochondriacal woman who begins to

show signs of a life-threatening disease. This is a fascinating account

of the dynamic nature of the skin, and the people who inhabit it.