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Sommario/riassunto	Ankylosing Spondylitis is an inflammatory arthritis that affects the spine and sacroiliac joints as well as other parts of the body, and that can eventually lead, in some patients, to complete fusion of the vertebrae and total rigidity. AS is not a rare health problem, but is in fact found in almost one percent of the US population, typically strikes young people and young families, and in its various forms is probably more common than rheumatoid arthritis. In this invaluable guide, Dr. Michael H. Weisman, one of America's leading authorities on AS, provides a down-to-earth, crystal-clear guid