1. Record Nr. UNINA9910480827203321 Autore Laplante Julie Titolo Healing roots: anthropology in life and medicine / / Julie Laplante Pubbl/distr/stampa New York, New York; ; Oxford, England:,: berghahn,, 2015 ©2015 **ISBN** 1-78238-555-X Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (301 p.) Collana Epistemologies of Healing; Volume 15 Disciplina 306.4610968 Soggetti Artemisia afra - Therapeutic use - South Africa Medicinal plants - South Africa Traditional medicine - South Africa Medical anthropology - South Africa Ethnopharmacology - South Africa Molecular biology - Social aspects Drugs - Testing Tuberculosis - Chemotherapy Electronic books. Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Monografia Livello bibliografico Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Contents: Illustrations: Acknowledgements: Abbreviations: Introduction - Tracing the Preclinical Trial of an Indigenous Plant; Chapter 1 -Knowing Umhlonyane/Artemisia afra; Chapter 2 - Engaging in Medicine: Chapter 3 - Tracing Medicine Wayfaring: Chapter 4 -Imagining Indigeneity; Chapter 5 - Healing the Nation; Chapter 6 -Dreams, Ancestors and Sound Healing; Chapter 7 - Weaving Molecules with Life; Conclusion - Imagining the Clinical Trial; References; Index Umhlonyane, also known as Artemisia afra, is one of the oldest and Sommario/riassunto best-documented indigenous medicines in South Africa. This bush. which grows wild throughout the sub-Saharan region, smells and tastes like ""medicine,"" thus easily making its way into people's lives and becoming the choice of everyday healing for Xhosa healer-diviners and Rastafarian herbalists. This ""natural"" remedy has recently sparked

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pandemic while hoping to recognize indigenous medicine. Laplante follows umhlonyane on its trails and trials of beco