Record Nr. UNINA9910554252503321 Autore De Onis Catalina M. <1986-> Titolo Energy Islands: metaphors of power, extractivism, and justice in Puerto Rico / / Catalina M. de Onis Pubbl/distr/stampa Oakland, California:,: University of California Press,, [2021] ©2021 **ISBN** 0-520-38063-0 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (300 p.) Environmental Communication, Power, and Culture; ; 1 Collana Disciplina 333.79097295 Soggetti Power resources - Puerto Rico Energy policy - Puerto Rico Energy policy Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di contenuto Frontmatter -- Contents -- List of Figures -- Acknowledgments --Abbreviations -- Map of Puerto Rico -- Introduction Amplifying Puerto Rican Voices in Power Struggles -- Part One Forming Energies --Routes/Roots/Raíces I Recuerdos familiares [Family Memories] -- One Dis/empowering Terms of an Energy Rhetorical Matrix --Routes/Roots/Raíces II Hydrocarbon Hauntings -- Two Experimenting Energies of Defense, Disease, Development, and Disaster -- Part Two Powering the Present and Future -- Three Generating Methane Metaphors to Fuel and Fight Extractivism -- Routes/Roots/Raíces III Account-ability in un revolú -- Four (Re)wiring Coalitions for Radical Transformations -- Routes/Roots/Raíces IV "Las cosas del barrio" --(No) Conclusion Delinking for Energy Justice -- Appendix Puerto Rico and US Diasporic Organizations and Initiatives -- Notes -- References -- Index Sommario/riassunto Energy Islands provides an urgent and nuanced portrait of collective action that resists racial capitalism, colonialism, and climate disruption. Weaving together historical and ethnographic research, Catalina M. de Onís challenges the master narratives of Puerto Rico as a tourist destination and site of ";natural"; disasters. She demonstrates how

fossil-fuel economies are inextricably entwined with colonial practices

and policies and how local community groups in Puerto Rico have struggled against energy coloniality and energy privilege to mobilize and transform power from the ground up. This work decenters continental contexts and deconstructs damaging hierarchies that devalue and exploit disenfranchised rural, coastal communities. Onís highlights and collaborates with individuals who refuse the cruel logics and discourses of empire and domination by imagining and implementing energy justice and other interconnected radical power transformations. Diving deeply into the concepts of energy, islands, and power, this book engages various metaphors for alternative world-making.