Record Nr. UNINA9910595029103321 Autore Otte Andreas **Titolo** Famous Composers - Diseases Reloaded / / by Andreas Otte Pubbl/distr/stampa Cham:,: Springer International Publishing:,: Imprint: Springer,, 2022 9783031066719 **ISBN** 9783031066702 Edizione [1st ed. 2022.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (180 pages) Disciplina 780.922 Soggetti Medical jurisprudence Music - History and criticism Music Forensic Medicine History of Music Classical Music Compositors Història de la medicina Malalties **Biografies** Llibres electrònics Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references. Nota di contenuto Introductory to the Topic -- Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750) --Domenico Scarlatti (1685–1757) -- Nicolò Paganini (1782–1840) --Francisco Tárrega (1852-1909) -- Maurice Ravel (1875-1937) -- Heitor Villa-Lobos (1887-1959) -- Robert Schumann (1810-1856). Sommario/riassunto The life and death, but also the creative work of famous musicians is closely linked to their personal medical histories. In "Famous Composers - Diseases Reloaded" these case histories are vividly reconstructed on the basis of authentic biographical testimonies and

closely linked to the personalities of the musicians. The latest research findings on the pathophysiology of these composers will be woven into the overall picture. Was Paganini's "devilishness" caused by a hereditary

disease? Did Scarlatti have strange signs of illness on his fingers? What did Bach really die of? How did "Christel" from a dubious milieu change Schumann's entire life? What aggravated Ravel's underlying illness so that he did not complete a single composition in the last five years before his death? How did Tárrega manage to play the guitar again after his stroke with hemiplegia? Did the Brazilian Villa-Lobos' worldwide reputation help him live longer thanks to the best treatment available to him? Andreas Otte, physician and musician, has incorporated the latest medical history research into the composers' pathographies. This book is an exciting and "well-tempered" reading experience not only for physicians, music lovers, musicologists and musicians, but for all readers who want to develop a basic understanding of the pathophysiology and life scores of these great masters under current conditions from today's perspective.