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Nota di contenuto	Introduction : disease histories and race histories -- Toward a historical epidemiology of African American tuberculosis -- The rise of the city and the decline of the Negro : the historical idea of Black tuberculosis and the politics of color and class -- Urban underdevelopment, politics, and the landscape of health -- Establishing boundaries : politics, science, and stigma in the early antituberculosis movement -- Locating African Americans and finding the "lung block" -- The web of surveillance and the emerging politics of public health in Baltimore -- The road to Henryton and the ends of progressivism -- Conclusion : unequal burdens : public health at the intersection of segregation and housing politics.
Sommario/riassunto	For most of the first half of the twentieth century, tuberculosis ranked among the top three causes of mortality among urban African Americans. Often afflicting an entire family or large segments of a neighborhood, the plague of TB was as mysterious as it was fatal. Samuel Kelton Roberts Jr. examines how individuals and institutions--black and white, public and private--responded to the challenges of tuberculosis in a segregated society. Reactionary white politicians and health officials promoted "'racial hygiene'" and sought to control TB

through Jim Crow quarantines, Roberts explains

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