1. Record Nr. UNINA9910813963403321 Autore Kagan Jerome Titolo An argument for mind [[electronic resource] /] / Jerome Kagan Pubbl/distr/stampa New Haven, : Yale University Press, c2006 **ISBN** 1-281-73014-9 9786611730147 0-300-12933-5 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (304 p.) Disciplina 150.9/045 Psychology - History - 20th century Soggetti Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Bibliographic Level Mode of Issuance: Monograph Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references (p. 263-274) and index. Nota di contenuto Choice and indoctrination -- Setting a new foundation -- Flirting with biology -- Accepting biology and history -- Human morality --Acknowledging temperament -- Celebrating mind -- Coda. In this elegantly written book, Jerome Kagan melds the history of the Sommario/riassunto field of psychology during the past 50 years with the story of his own research efforts of the same period and an analysis of what he terms "the currently rocky romance between psychology and biology." As Kagan unwinds his own history, he reveals the seminal events that have shaped his career and discusses how his assumptions have changed. With full appreciation for the contributions to psychology of history, philosophy, literature, and neuroscience, he approaches a wide range of fascinating topics, including: the abandonment of orthodox forms of behaviorism and psychoanalysis. the forces that inspired latertwentieth-century curiosity about young children. why B. F. Skinner chose to study psychology why the study of science less often ignites imaginations today· our society's obsession with erotic love· the resurgence of religious fanaticism and the religious RightEmbedded in Kagan's discussions is a rejection of the current notion that a mature neuroscience will eventually replace psychology. He argues that a complete understanding of brain is not synonymous with a full

explanation of mind, and he concludes with a brief prediction of the

next five decades in the field of psychology.