Record Nr. UNINA9910968078703321 Autore Greenberg Daniel S. <1931-> Titolo Science for sale: the perils, rewards, and delusions of campus capitalism / / Daniel S. Greenberg Chicago,: University of Chicago Press, 2007 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 9786611956943 9781281956941 1281956945 9780226306261 0226306267 Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (334 p.) Classificazione AK 30700 Disciplina 500.71/1 Soggetti Research - United States - Finance Universities and colleges - United States Research institutes - Economic aspects - United States Science - Economic aspects - United States Federal aid to research - United States Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references (p. [297]-311) and index. Nota di contenuto The setting and the system -- Money for science : never enough --Elusive industrial angels -- Commercialize! It's the law -- Changing attitudes -- The price of profits -- Conflicts and interests -- A new regime -- As seen from the inside--six conversations -- Success and remorse -- A congenial partnership -- When the rules change in midstream -- Profits and principles -- Generations apart -- The journals revolt -- Fixing the system -- What's right and wrong, and how to make it better -- Epilogue: a parable for our time. In recent years the news media have been awash in stories about Sommario/riassunto increasingly close ties between college campuses and multimilliondollar corporations. Our nation's universities, the story goes, reap enormous windfalls patenting products of scientific research that have

> been primarily funded by taxpayers. Meanwhile, hoping for new streams of revenue from their innovations, the same universities are

allowing their research-and their very principles-to become compromised by guests for profit. But is that really the case? Is money really hopelessly corrupting science? With Science for Sale, acclaimed journalist Daniel S. Greenberg reveals that campus capitalism is more complicated-and less profitable-than media reports would suggest. While universities seek out corporate funding, news stories rarely note that those industry dollars are dwarfed by government support and other funds. Also, while many universities have set up technology transfer offices to pursue profits through patents, many of those offices have been financial busts. Meanwhile, science is showing signs of providing its own solutions, as highly publicized misdeeds in pursuit of profits have provoked promising countermeasures within the field. But just because the threat is overhyped, Greenberg argues, doesn't mean that there's no danger. From research that has shifted overseas so corporations can avoid regulations to conflicts of interest in scientific publishing, the temptations of money will always be a threat, and they can only be countered through the vigilance of scientists, the press, and the public. Based on extensive, candid interviews with scientists and administrators, Science for Sale will be indispensable to anyone who cares about the future of scientific research.