

# American Tropical Medicine: Race and Hygiene in the Philippines

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## Colonial Pathologies: American Tropical Medicine, Race, and Hygiene in the Philippines by Warwick Anderson

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This book examines the history of American tropical medicine in the Philippines, focusing on the ways in which race and hygiene were used to justify American colonial rule.

In the late 19th and early 20th centuries, the United States emerged as a global power, and its interests extended to the Philippines, which it acquired from Spain in 1898. American officials and scientists believed that the Philippines was a tropical paradise, but they also saw it as a breeding ground for disease. They believed that the Filipino people were racially inferior to white Americans, and that they needed to be taught the principles of hygiene in Free Download to improve their health and well-being.

American tropical medicine was a key part of the American colonial project in the Philippines. American doctors and scientists conducted research on tropical diseases, and they developed new methods of treating and preventing them. They also established public health programs aimed at improving the health of the Filipino people.

However, American tropical medicine was also used to justify American colonial rule. American doctors and scientists argued that the Filipino people were not capable of governing themselves, and that they needed to be ruled by a more advanced race. They also used the rhetoric of hygiene to justify American interventions in Filipino society.

This book challenges the traditional narrative of American tropical medicine as a benevolent enterprise. It shows how race and hygiene were used to justify American colonial rule, and it argues that American tropical medicine was a key part of the American colonial project.

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"This book is a major contribution to the history of American colonialism and the history of medicine. Harrison provides a nuanced and insightful analysis of the ways in which race and hygiene were used to justify American rule in the Philippines." - **Professor Nancy Stepan, Columbia University**

"This book is a must-read for anyone interested in the history of American colonialism, the history of medicine, or the history of race and hygiene." - **Professor Warwick Anderson, University of Sydney**

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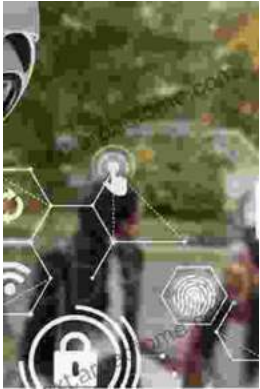


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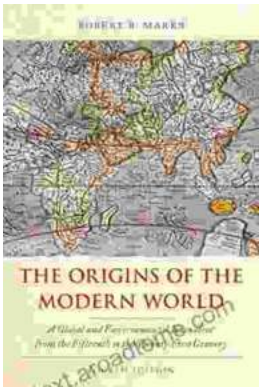
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