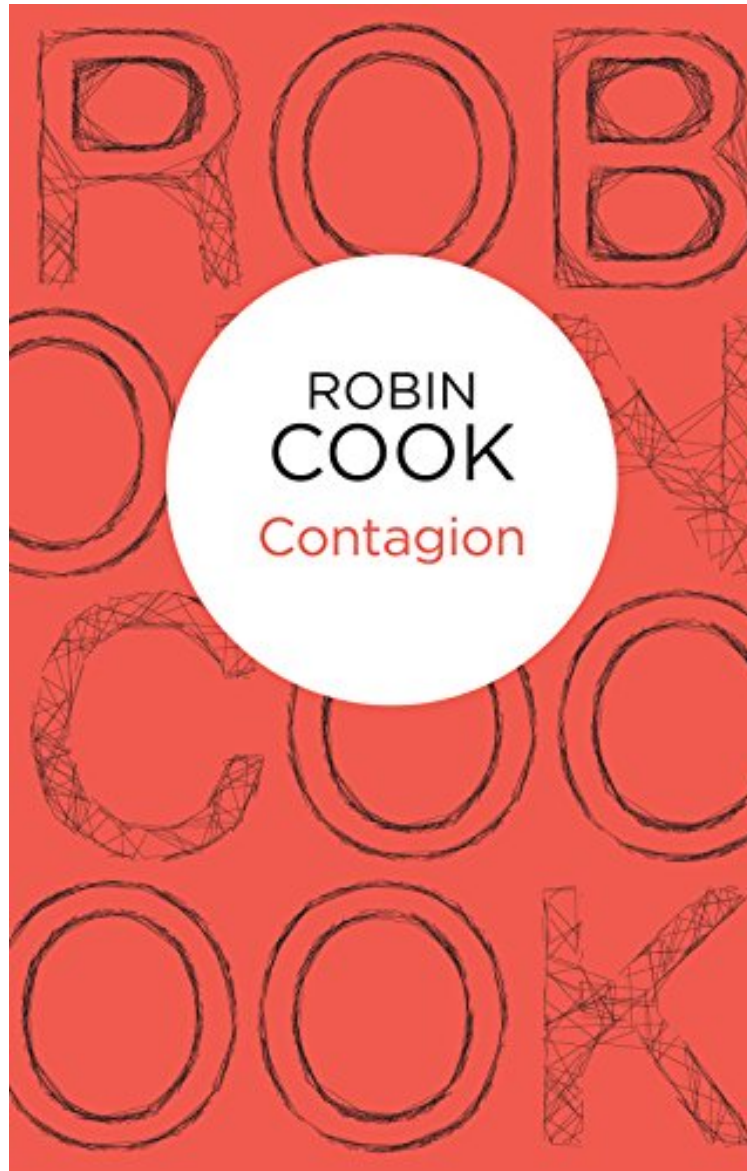


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Von Robin Cook : Contagion (English Edition) before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Contagion (English Edition):

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Evil Microbes and HMO's Are At It AgainVon Ein KundeAfter losing his family to a plane crash and his medical practice to a big HMO, Dr. Stapleton is off to NYC to be medical examiner (Not a Coronor, Dr. Stapleton makes this

known). Are deaths from three diseases unfortunate or the work of a money grubbing HMO? This was an exciting book which grabs you from the get go. Dr. Stapleton is a wonderful character who you will rapidly grow to like. What an attitude. Jack is able to ignore his bosses and get away with it the way many of us only wish we could do. Mr. Mantegna (Reader) can really get you into this book. He does a terrific job at bringing all of the characters to life. You like the characters you are supposed to and hate the ones you are supposed to. In many audio books I find that the reader doesn't do a good job at portraying characters in the light which they were meant to be. I only gave it 4 stars because it was above average but not outstanding. It didn't stop me from getting out of my car when I got to work or make me spend my lunch time sitting in the gloomy parking garage in my car listening like other books have. If you like Robin Cook or simply like good thrillers, this is a book for you. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Slightly better than average with some flaws! Von LeonidasSoloYdue This novel is not bad but it does have quite some flaws. The doctor is living in a black ghetto (Harlem) and works in a morgue in West NY - He only travels by bike in NY (???). This would not be any great flaw but this constructed environment is needed to run some of the "magic" of his life. Normally no one reacts really like the main persons in the book. At least I hope so, else there would be great danger everywhere. Why would a PR and merchandising lady try to give others the creep - and the "hero" is most of the time acting stupid and does not show great intelligence especially for a doctor... Very, very troublesome ideas of the author. I found some of the revelations really funny - not logical and so on. But although this book does really have some logical flaws you can read it nonetheless fast - it is a page-turner and well written although you must stop thinking after some pages or you will groan about the errors. I recently bought another book of this author - Let's see how he works in general. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Another masterpiece! Von Angry Rooster Robin Cook has the wonderful ability to write about complex medical descriptions in everyday English AND write a compelling book at the same time. I read this book in two days - you can't put it down. The story centers around suspects a connection between multiple disease breakouts in a New York hospital within a matter of days. Each breakout kills several patients, one or more hospital workers from the same department and then is quickly contained. Mr. Cook spins a tale wrapped in suspense and the reader finds himself reading in eager anticipation of the next disaster and whether or not Jack Stapleton will be able to avert it before it becomes a nationwide problem. Add to the case a contract taken out on the pathologist's life, his semi-reluctant relationship with a woman who has a few surprises of her own, plenty of wonderful description and you have an incredible book that will keep you turning pages eagerly and wishing there was more at the end...

Kurzbeschreibung From the undisputed master of the medical thriller comes the story of a deadly epidemic spread not merely by microbes but by sinister sabotage a terrifying cautionary tale for the millennium as the health care giants collide. After he loses first his Midwestern ophthalmology practice to a for-profit medical giant and then his family to a commuter airline tragedy, Dr. John Stapleton's life is transformed to ashes. Feeling less the golden boy than a jaded cynic, Stapleton retrains in forensic pathology and relocates to find an uneasy niche for himself in a city that suits his changed perspective: the cold, indifferent, concrete maze of New York. Stapleton thinks he is past pain and past caring, but as a series of virulent and extremely lethal illnesses capped by a particularly deadly outbreak of a rare strain of influenza strikes the young, the old, and the innocent, his suspicions are aroused. When the apparent epicentres of these outbreaks are revealed to be hospitals and clinics controlled by the same for-profit giant that cannibalized his old ophthalmology practice, Stapleton fears he has stumbled upon a diabolic conspiracy of catastrophic proportions: Could the for-profit giant be engaged in the systematic elimination of its more costly subscribers? Getting at the truth leads to Stapleton's unlikely pairing both professionally and personally with Terese Hagen, an art director at a hot Madison Avenue advertising firm. Together they discover that the real explanation behind the killer contagions is even more Machiavellian than could be imagined. Contagion anticipates some of the uncharted consequences of managed health care, in an age when even the wariest consumer may be at risk. It is Robin Cook at his unerring best. de When not one but three different extremely rare diseases kill several patients at a New York hospital, forensic pathologist Jack Stapleton suspects it's more than just coincidence. He thinks there's a connection between the appearance of the mysterious microbes responsible for the deaths and the HMO that owns the hospital--the same HMO that once destroyed his flourishing medical practice. Is Medicare deliberately killing off its sickest patients--those who cost the most money to treat? Or is there an even more sinister motive behind the strange goings-on at Manhattan General, not to mention the attempts on Jack's life? And what is beautiful Terese Hagen, the hard-driving creative director of a Madison Avenue ad agency, doing in the middle of this slightly muddled, but still engrossing, tale of greed, medicine, and mayhem? Like Michael Crichton, whose *Andromeda Strain* remains the classic in the genre, Cook is sometimes heavy-handed when it comes to character development, and his fulminations about the dangers of managed care often get in the way of the plot. Still, *Contagion* will make you think twice about taking your next case of flu to the ER instead of your own bed. --Jane Adams Werbetext "The master of the medical thriller" New York Times