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Blood and Kinship: Christopher H. Johnson 2013-06-08 The word "blood" evokes ancient sites, but we know little about its historical representation in Western culture. Anthropologists have critically studied how societies think about the bodily substances that unite them, and the contributors to this volume bring together experts in biology, medicine, and genealogy to address the minute engagements of clinicians and laboratory staff with reproductive substances. How do persons seeking treatment, donors, and medical experts make use of these reproductive technologies? How do they manage to evade legal and bioethical regulations? And how do they make sense of these new modes of making kinship against the backdrop of diverse world-views and social settings? This book critically considers novel developments in assisted reproduction, setting forth a new lens through which to grapple with the cultural representations of kinship.

Biology and Medicine: The Routledge Companion to Contemporary Anthropology is an invaluable guide and major reference source for students and scholars alike, introducing its models to key contemporary perspectives and approaches within the field. Written by an experienced international team of contributors, with an introductory range of essays, this volume provides a broad overview of the transformations currently affecting anthropology. The book will address the concerns of the discipline and its members as it moves through the 21st century, focusing on the strengths and weaknesses of other academic subjects. Persuasively demonstrating that a number of key contemporary issues can be profitably analyzed through an anthropological lens, this volume covers important topics such as globalization, law and politics, cultural studies, environmentalism, and the role of anthropology. The Routledge Companion to Contemporary Anthropology is an essential guide for individuals interested in the role of anthropology in the modern world.

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