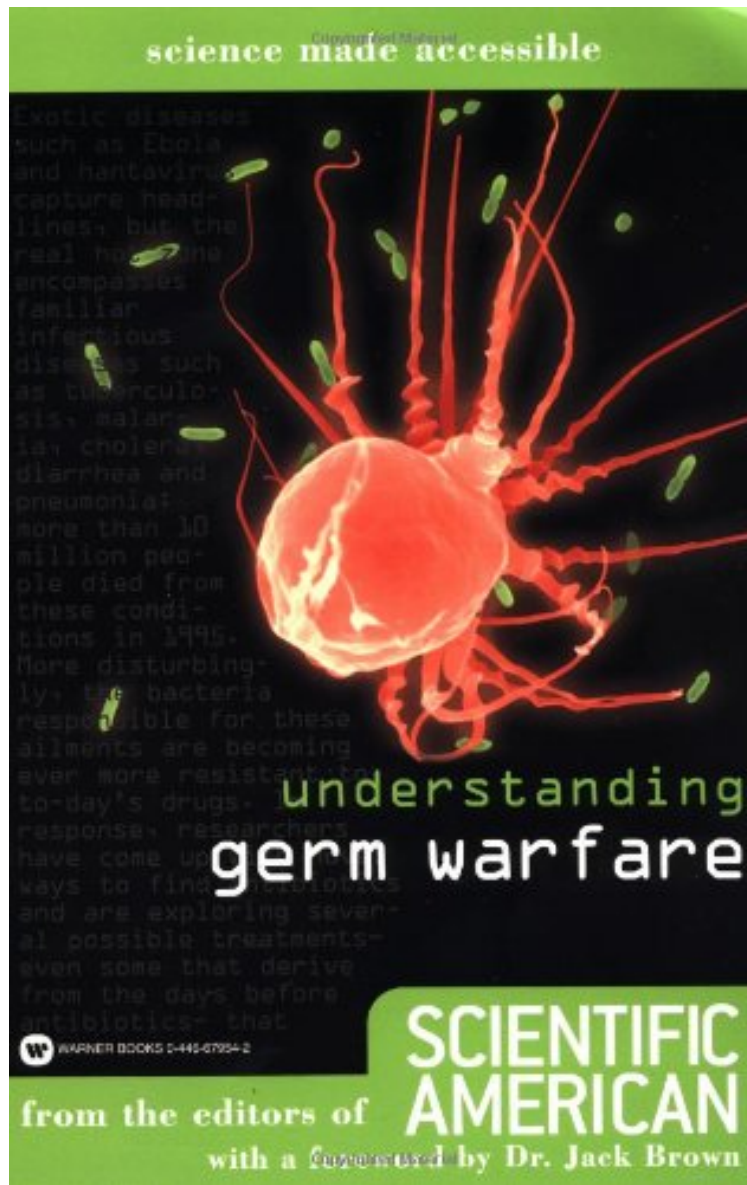


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This book explains how germs become immune to different medicines. It gives many examples of diseases and many possibilities to what the future may have in store for us. Unfortunately, everything in this book is true so all of the stories of diseases that killed thousands of people were not fiction. During the time of these diseases, the correct vaccines and antibiotics were unknown so many people and animals were killed because of them. There are many countries working on developing biological weapons but only a few worry the United States because of their past relationship with the US. This book is definitely worth reading if you are interested in this kind of stuff.

Written for the popular reader, this small volume contains short chapters on the science behind germ warfare. How diseases occur, the creation and use of vaccines, viral genomics, and resistance to antibiotics are some of the topics.

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