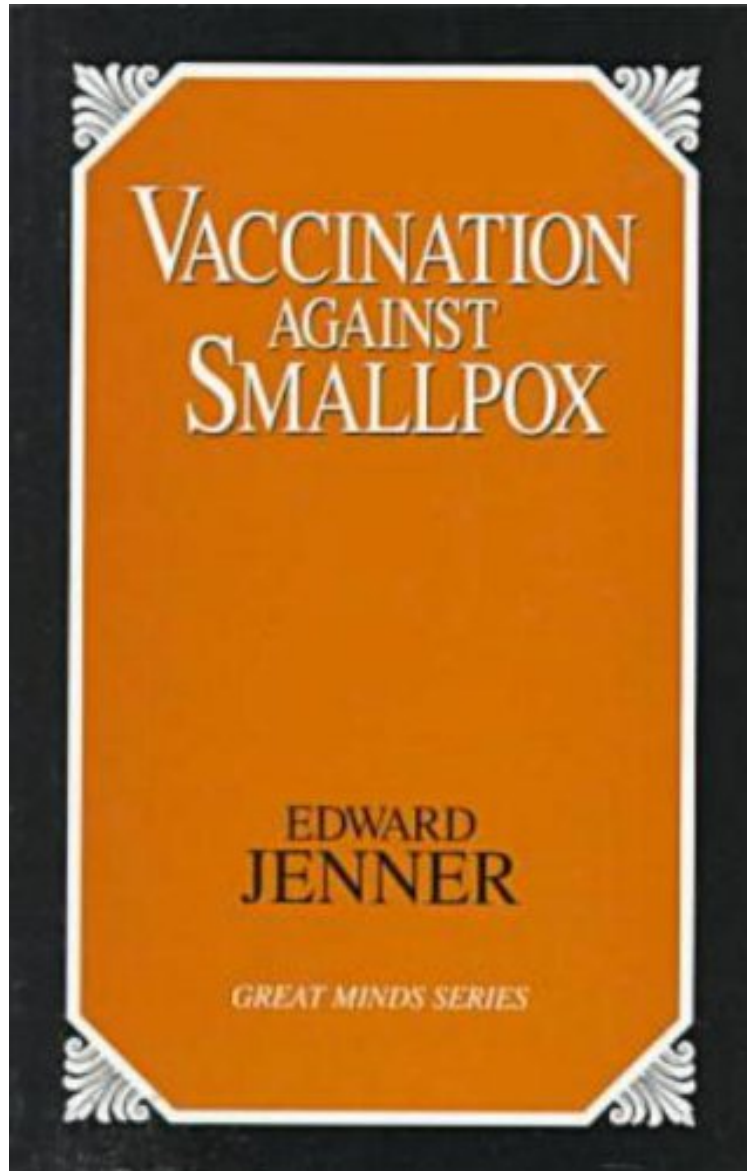


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Edward Jenner : Vaccination Against Smallpox (Great Minds Series) before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Vaccination Against Smallpox (Great Minds Series):

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Very Interesting Look Into Early Scientific Methodology By A Customer I'm always in awe of the great science pioneers that have gone before us. This brief book provides a peak into the thoughts and methods of one of those pioneers. As long as the reader keeps in mind the literary style of the

time as well as the level of maturity of scientific experimentation, they will find this book to be inspiring and useful. I especially recommend this book to future scientists and those interested in the history of science.² of 7 people found the following review helpful. Old School ScienceBy K. DinhTo say that Edward Jenner's "Vaccination Against Smallpox" was a dull read is comparable to saying that hell is a bit warm. While trudging through this oeuvre, I could not help but imagine myself doing more enjoyable things--like punching myself repeatedly, or walking through a bed of hot coals, or even sitting through a Dane Cook routine...Well, that's taking it too far, maybe not the last one. I consider myself a proponent of primary sources, but my point is not to make the mistake of reading this word for word. Jenner is very thorough in documenting all of his cases, but they are more or less the same. Furthermore, the deluge of letters from his peers is redundant and not at all necessary even in the rhetorical sense. Nonetheless, the importance of this work should not be diminished. In the context of medical science in the 18th century, this dissertation was a breakthrough; it employs many of the fixtures of modern experimental science we take for granted today: objectivity, theory, and most importantly, reproducibility. Jenner constructs a convincing argument that is grounded upon fact and direct observation despite the lack of strict controls (as is seen from his confusion about the source of Vaccinia) and rigorous statistical analysis. Unfortunately, it has none of the minimalist laconism that is apparent in the slim majority of the scientific literature today. "Vaccination" was probably conceived to convince Jenner's peers that vaccination was indeed a viable and safer alternative to Variolation. That purpose today is moot, since smallpox has been eradicated, but it is worth skimming to gain knowledge of the context of Jenner's work.⁰ of 3 people found the following review helpful. Slow ShippingBy imanBook was exactly as described, but i ordered it two weeks before class and it only arrived halfway through the first week

The once-dreaded scourge of smallpox has been eradicated through barrier immunization. The eminent scientist Edward Jenner (1749-1823) was a pioneer in demonstrating that vaccination was an effective means of preventing smallpox. In the three groundbreaking treatises contained in this volume, originally published between 1798 and 1800, Jenner summarizes his evidence in favor of vaccination and describes individual cases.