



## Biomedica (Paperback)

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By Eugene Thacker

University of Minnesota Press, United States, 2004. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book. As biotechnology defines the new millennium, genetic codes and computer codes increasingly merge-life understood as data, flesh rendered programmable. Where this trend will take us, and what it might mean, is what concerns Eugene Thacker in this timely book, a penetrating look into the intersection of molecular biology and computer science in our day and its likely ramifications for the future. Integrating approaches from science and media studies, Biomedica is a critical analysis of research fields that explore relationships between biologies and technologies, between genetic and computer codes. In doing so, the book looks beyond the familiar examples of cloning, genetic engineering, and gene therapy-fields based on the centrality of DNA or genes-to emerging fields in which life is often understood as information. Focusing especially on interactions between genetic and computer codes, or between life and information, Thacker shows how each kind of body produced-from biochip to DNA computer-demonstrates how molecular biology and computer science are interwoven to provide unique means of understanding and controlling living matter. Throughout, Thacker provides in-depth accounts of theoretical issues implicit in biotechnical artifacts-issues that arise in the fields...



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