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As we enter the twenty-first century, a number of medical, environmental and social changes have profoundly affected human reproduction. This book discusses some of the more dramatic changes in an accessible way that will be useful to graduate students, as well as the more general reader interested in such issues. Topics include medical technologies that equip us with potential cures for many causes of infertility: diseases such as AIDS that have a devastating impact on the reproductive and social lives of humans, particularly in areas with limited access to medical care. Also discussed are increasing industrialization and the development of fabricated materials that pollute our environment in unforeseen ways with possibly devastating effects on human health and fertility, and social revolutions that profoundly alter human relationships, such as nonmarital unions between heterosexual couples, same-sex relationships, adoption and surrogacy which are becoming increasingly common.

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