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Catarsis sobre el poder curativo de la naturaleza y del arte

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Catarsis es una restitución brillante de la relación etimológica entre lo sano y lo santo, entre la salud y lo sagrado. Andrzej Szczeklik es catedrático de la facultad de medicina, pero es también un experto en "la ciencia de los sentimientos", para retomar la definición que William Wordsworth dio de a poesía. Su libro es erudito, personal y creativo: genera autoridad. Se remonta a los inicios de la medicina y se interroga sobre su oficio. Recuerda oportunamente cómo el campo de la salud debe estar más relacionado con la caritas que con la economía.

Natural killer cell protocols, 2nd ed.
Methods in Molecular Biology, Volume 612
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As the research has continued, it has become increasingly clear that natural killer (NK) cells are critical sentinels of the innate immune response, playing important roles in protecting the body from numerous pathogens and cancer in addition to contributing to normal pregnancy and impacting the outcomes of transplantation. While the first edition provided a valuable collection of classical cellular and in vivo techniques to study NK cells functions, the Second Edition of Natural Killer Cell Protocols: Cellular and Molecular Methods brings together more recently developed methods, more refined techniques, and detailed protocols designed to study NK cells within specialized tissue sites in both mice and humans. In this collection of methods, international leaders in the field cover topics ranging from the analysis of the various stages of NK cell development and maturation to specialized techniques for the identification of ligands for NK cells receptors. This volume also includes an appendix, providing a rich resource summarizing available reagents to study NK cells, cross-referencing KIR nomenclature, and detailing the many HLA ligands for various KIR family members. As a volume in the highly successful Methods in Molecular Biology series format, chapters include introductions to their respective topics, lists of the necessary materials and reagents, step-by-step, readily reproducible laboratory protocols, and thorough notes sections, highlighting tips on troubleshooting and avoiding known pitfalls. Comprehensive and cutting-edge, Natural Killer Cell Protocols: Cellular and Molecular Methods, Second Edition seeks to air researchers and further advance our understanding of the functions, maturation, and regulation of these fascinating and dynamic cells.