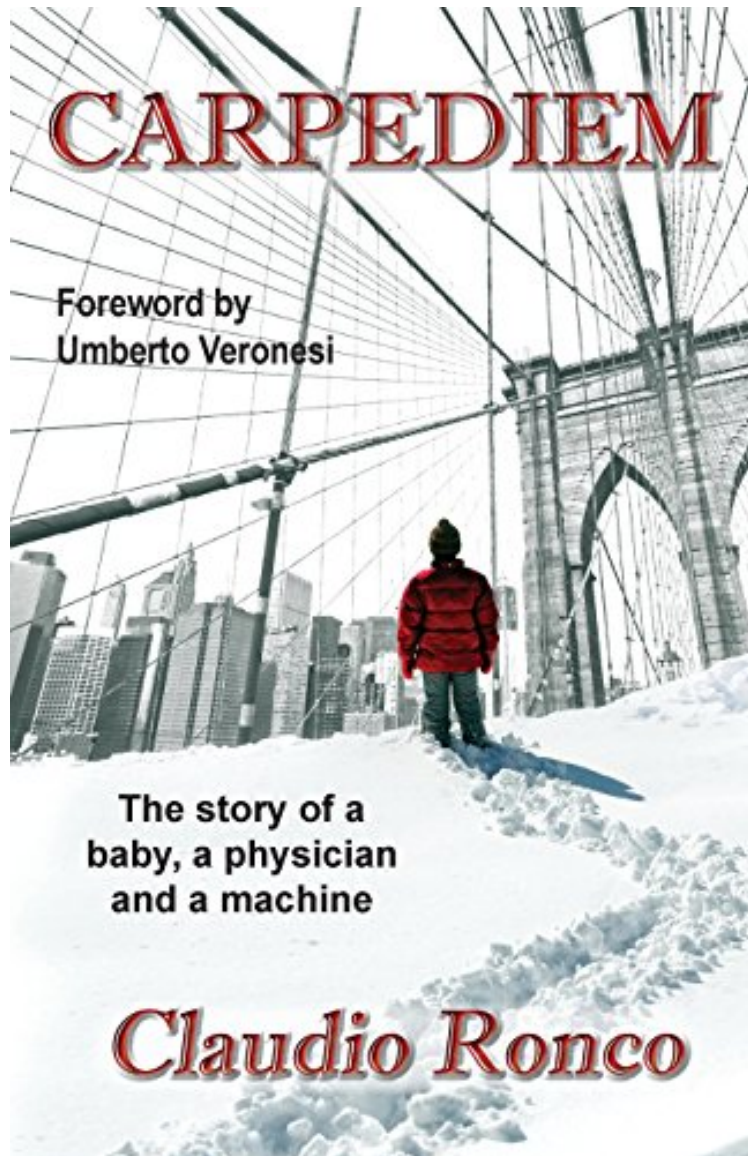


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Claudio Ronco : Carpediem before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Carpediem:

1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. "What if I didn't like it? "What if the translation was done ...By Nita KellumFor me seven of the scariest words in English are "So, what did you think of it?"This is especially true when asked by a friend whose book you have just finished.When Claudio Ronco asked me to read the translated version of Carpediem, I'll admit that I was a little nervous."What if I didn't like it? "What if the translation was done poorly and

Claudio's "voice" didn't come through?" Fortunately, my fears were all unfounded. The intertwining story of Lisa, a newborn without kidney function and Dr. Ronco's journey from the son of a country doctor in a small Italian village is at times frustrating and heart stopping but always charming and inspiring. Families worldwide will have Claudio Ronco and his incredibly dedicated team of researchers and staff to thank for the countless lives that will be saved due to their work in critical care nephrology.

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Congratulations, Dr. Ronco!

By Will Clark I am a nephrologist and chemical engineer by training and have worked in the dialysis field my entire career. Dr. Ronco is an eminent leader in my field, having made many seminal contributions in research, education, and patient care over his storied 40 year career. He has especially been a tireless advocate for patients, including children - the pediatric dialysis machine that he developed and is described in the book is but one example of his patient-focused approach. As someone who considers Dr. Ronco to be a role model, I was excited to learn that he had written this book. The book employs a very creative approach in which Dr. Ronco's life story is reported in parallel with the story of Lisa, a critically ill baby who develops kidney failure soon after birth. These two stories merge as the book describes, against all odds, the successful treatment of Lisa with Dr. Ronco's dialysis machine - in essence, this represents a culmination of Dr. Ronco's life work. One of the things that impressed me the most was the ability to introduce different recurring themes that are reinforced throughout the book - these themes include: -The love and support that Dr. Ronco received from his wife, other family members, and friends during his career -The way in which his childhood and adult homes (Asiago and Vicenza, respectively) helped shape his life -His continuous emphasis on the team approach (as a general policy at his hospital in Vicenza and specifically in the management of Lisa) -The conflicted view of his native Italy, a country which he loves but also finds frustrating in some respects I was particularly moved by several humanistic aspects of the book: -The angst and uncertainty that Dr. Ronco and his medical team had while treating Lisa, not knowing if she would survive -Dr. Ronco's shock and horror to see Lisa's empty crib after returning from a weekend off-duty only to find out that she was safe on a stroll with her mother -A touching letter that he wrote posthumously to his father This is an excellent book which tells a marvelous story. I enthusiastically recommend it for all readers as an inspiring example of determination, dedication, and humility.

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By Mary L. CARPEDIEM is an engaging story told from the personal perspective of a physician and leading international expert in adult nephrology. His passion shines through as he describes his professional journey and development of a new renal support machine specifically designed to treat small infants. The story is intertwined with a suspenseful description of Lisa, a newborn baby that has a life-threatening condition and is successfully treated with CARPEDIEM. I would recommend this book to both those working in the scientific medical community as well as the general public. It is a moving story that shows that there is still a place in this world for physicians to use their creativity, knowledge and experience to find clinical solutions. Claudio Ronco seems genuinely touched by the life that was saved and reminds us of what medicine should be. I would highly recommend the book!

A NEWBORN BABY CLINGS TO LIFE, A YOUNG MAN SEEKS HIS FUTURE Born without kidney function, baby Lisa's life is in the hands of Claudio Ronco, physician, scientist and inventor of CARPEDIEM, a medical device for infant dialysis. This remarkable and moving story details the experiences of a doctor's long and productive life as he fights to give a newborn baby a chance at the same. This is also the story of the revolutionary new machine that provides life support for babies, and Ronco's team of talented physicians who, through creativity, team-work and determination overcome clinical challenges that used to be considered insurmountable.