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## Summary Information

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## **Background note**

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Robert Eveleigh Taylor was a British physician.

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## Other Descriptive Information

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This volume contains a manuscript copy of John Taylor's dissertation titled "An inaugural disputation, concerning the varieties of the human race." Taylor delivered this lecture at the University of Edinburgh in July 1800 to fulfill one of the requirements for a medical degree. The essay touches on many of the prominent theories about racial differences then circulating in the Atlantic World. Taylor, for instance, discusses the influence of climate on the different races and how geography affects the health.