Critical medical ecological perspectives on diabetes in the Pacific Islands: colonialism, power, & balance in human-environment interaction over time

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Diabetes is endemic in Pacific Island jurisdictions where complex colonial relationships arose from the Spanish Empire, Japanese and German occupation in World Wars I and II, and the Pacific Trust Territory era of the USA. Since diabetes reflects a cluster of ecological processes involving socio-behavioral, medical, and environmental constructs, interpretation of the diabetes epidemic requires both an ecological and intervention framework with an economic and political perspective that accounts for historical and contemporary power relations.

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