



## Tales from the Dry Side: The Personal Stories Behind the Autoimmune Illness Sjogren s Syndrome (Paperback)

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Outskirts Press, 2013. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book \*\*\*\*\* Print on Demand \*\*\*\*\*.Approximately four million people in the United States have Sjogren s syndrome, a chronic illness which is extremely difficult to diagnose, and even more difficult to treat. Sjogren s syndrome is an autoimmune disease characterized by an overactive immune system that targets moisture-producing glands in the body. It manifests itself in multi-system dryness potentially affecting every system in the body including, but not limited to, the eyes, mouth, joints, lungs, nervous system, liver, kidneys, and bladder. People with Sjogren s often go undiagnosed for years, their symptoms dismissed by doctors or classified as psychosomatic. All the while, the patient is increasingly unable to participate in daily life. Written by Sjogren s sufferers from various regions of the United States and Canada and including a foreword by Steven Taylor, CEO of the Sjogren s Syndrome Foundation, Tales From the Dry Side offers up the stories of thirteen courageous men and women who share their journey with diagnosis, symptoms, and treatment of Sjogren s, as well as candid portraits of how this illness has affected their families, their personal lives, and their careers. Each first-hand account...



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