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## **Doublethumb Press Announces “The Book of Adam: Autobiography of the First Human Clone”**

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On February 22, 1997, the Roslin Institute announced the birth of the first mammal cloned from adult cells. Thirteen years later, Dolly’s human counterpart is announced courtesy of Robert M. Hopper’s debut novel “The Book of Adam: Autobiography of the First Human Clone.”

The book explores the bigotry Adam faces as a youth, haunting dreams of the man from whom he was cloned, and his inner battle for his soul. It’s a battle surrounded by an intergenerational family drama in which, like the House of Atreus, the players seem doomed to struggle with the sins of the father.

Written in his early fifties, the story encompasses more than a century of human experience beginning with the birth of his clone-father in the early 1970s and extending into the 2080s – long after it has become legal and routine to have your genetic twin born after your death.

By the end of the tale, millions of clones have joined Adam in the experience of knowing that their genes have lived before. Like Adam, they discover that human cloning brings with it new possibilities, both for regret and for redemption.

The official publication date for the printed version is set for July 5, 2010 to coincide with the anniversary of Dolly’s birth. But readers can get an early glimpse into the life of the first human clone with the promotionally priced 99¢ Kindle edition available today. A pre-official publication printed edition will be available at the end of the month on Amazon.com with a suggested retail price of \$14.99.

Robert M. Hopper is the founder and executive director of National Youth Theatre of America. This is his debut novel. His “autobiography” is a work of fiction, and the author makes no claim to being a human clone. In fact, according to him, the first human clone won’t be born until the evening of March 11, 2034.

**99¢ Kindle Edition:** [http://www.amazon.com/Book-Adam-Autobiography-First-ebook/dp/B00394DSYE/ref=sr\\_1\\_5?ie=UTF8&s=books&qid=1266712058&sr=8-5](http://www.amazon.com/Book-Adam-Autobiography-First-ebook/dp/B00394DSYE/ref=sr_1_5?ie=UTF8&s=books&qid=1266712058&sr=8-5)

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