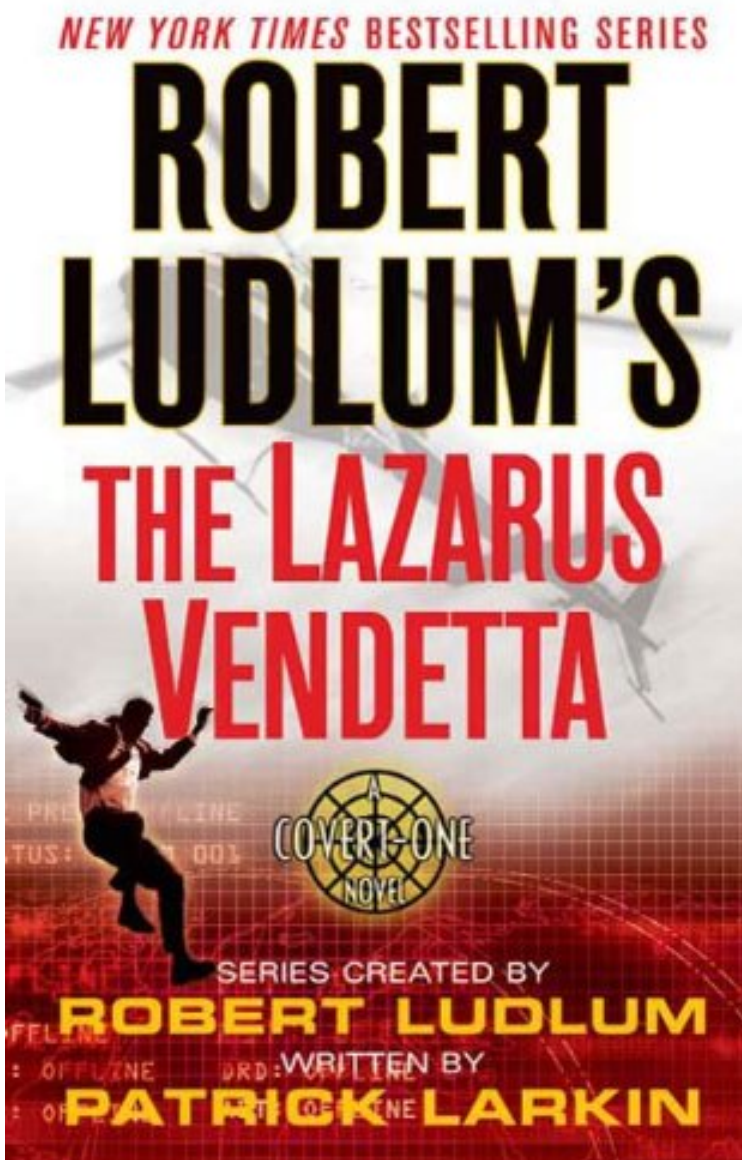


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**Description :** Description du produitIn the increasingly turbulent atmosphere of international politics, the once-grassroots anti-globalization movement has been slowly absorbed and taken over by the underground radical anti-technology group fronted by a mysterious figure known only as Lazarus. All attempts to infiltrate the group have failed; the intelligence agents involved have all disappeared without a trace.Now a sudden surge in the 'deep chatter' detected by U.S. intelligence leads everyone to believe one thing- Lazarus is preparing to make his boldest move yet. With Lazarus increasingly bringing deadly pressure to bear against the leading research facilities focusing on nano-technology, Lt. Col. Jon Smith- publicly a researcher

for USAMRIID- is activated by Covert-One. With his friend and cohort CIA agent Randi Russell missing in the field, and with the help of former MI6 agent Peter Howell and computer whiz Marty Zellerbach, Jon Smith must find and uncover the truth about the mysterious figure known as Lazarus where all others have failed. For unbeknownst to the world at large, the Lazarus Movement is set to unleash a deadly scheme that will threaten the lives of billions and forever change the nature of the world itself.

For the past three decades Robert Ludlum's bestselling novels have been enjoyed by hundreds of millions of readers worldwide and have set the standard against which all other thrillers are measured. His Covert-One series has been among his most beloved creations and now comes the latest thrilling novel in the series. The Lazarus Movement, the dominant force in the eco-conscious, "anti-technology" protest movement, has sent rumblings down the halls of the world's intelligence agencies. Led by a mysterious, never-seen figure known only as Lazarus, this increasingly prominent group is believed by some to be preparing a bold strike. When an attack on a nano-technology research facility leaves thousands dead--- protestors and scientists alike---from what appears to be a cloud of inadvertently released but gruesomely deadly nanobots, pandemonium reigns. Lt. Col. Jon Smith is activated by Covert-One to find and uncover the truth about Lazarus where all others have failed. As Smith slowly uncovers the deadly underpinnings of the group, he soon learns that the Lazarus Movement is only the very tip of the iceberg in a deadly scheme that threatens billions of lives and will forever change the nature of the world itself. From Publishers Weekly Larkin (The Tribune) picks up the reins for the fifth entry in the Ludlum-spawned Covert-One biotech series (The Altman Code; etc.), bringing to the task a solid intelligence, some really scary nanotechnology and a writing style that sometimes lapses into cliché but always gets the job done. FBI Deputy Assistant Director Kit Pierson and her CIA counterpart, Hal Burke, are secretly working on an operation to destroy the Lazarus Movement, an environmental group run amok. Once a legitimate organization, the Lazarus Movement has been taken over by an evil scientist whose goal is you guessed it world domination. Thrust into the middle of this deadly struggle is series hero Lt. Col. Jon Smith, M.D., a scientist and operative for Covert-One, a super top-secret intelligence unit. When the Lazarus Movement's attack on a biotech lab releases a deadly brew of nanophages, microscopic killer devices that turn those unlucky enough to inhale them into piles of "reddish liquid sludge," some start to think that the movement's diabolical leader envisions a vastly depopulated world that he can redesign into an environmental paradise. The action careens from continent to continent, with the bad guys always a few steps ahead of the heroes. Eventually, everyone ends up on an island in the Azores, where, after a deadly firefight and some last-minute reversals, the inevitable conclusion arrives. Hand-to-hand action, intriguing science and plot speed will keep most techno-thriller readers nailed to their seats. Copyright Reed Business Information, a division of Reed Elsevier Inc. All rights reserved. From AudioFile Scott Brick narrates a roller-coaster ride of epic proportions in the fifth installment of the Covert One series. This time, Lieutenant Colonel Jon Smith confronts the Lazarus Movement, once altruistic, now motivated by a greedy desire for power. A web of intrigue surrounds the mysterious head of the movement and the futuristic bio-weapon known as "nanophages" (which liquefy humans from the inside out when inhaled). Brick identifies characters through vocal mannerisms, tone, and timbre, matching voice to mood. Vivid descriptions of death throes are not for the squeamish. Cunningly crafted and well narrated, this action-adventure takes off from recent genetic research. G.D.W. AudioFile 2005, Portland, Maine-- Copyright AudioFile, Portland, Maine