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Within its pages, you will find a collection that spans over 3,000 sculptural pieces created by the artist between 1955 and 2002. This monumental undertaking was executed with meticulous research, analysis, and documentation spanning two decades, all orchestrated by the Gio' Pomodoro Archive. This project was initiated under Luciano Caramel's guidance and continued by Marco Meneguzzo, the current president of the Archive. It was carried out with the close oversight of all the artist's heirs, transforming it into an invaluable resource for professionals, collectors, and enthusiasts.

This publication offers a treasure trove of information, documentation, and research materials. The catalogue presents the artist's complete body of work, from his smallest sculptures (excluding jewellery, which will receive its own separate catalogue) to his grandest public installations, all organised chronologically. Each work is accompanied by an in-depth entry, featuring bibliographic and exhibition references and individual images.

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The second volume, however, constitutes the actual catalogue of his works. It includes a series of scientific instruments and a programmatic essay by the artist, shedding light on his personal motivations and the subsequent technical choices that drove him to embrace traditional sculptural materials while fearlessly experimenting with the plastic materials that have since become commonplace in sculpture.

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