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Manipulation of the microbial gut content of farmed fishes and crustaceans can have a marked effect on their general health, growth, and quality. Expertly covering the science behind the use of prebiotics and probiotics this landmark book explains how the correct manipulation of the gut flora of farmed fishes and crustaceans can have a positive effect on their health, growth rates, feed utilization, and general wellbeing. *Aquaculture Nutrition: Gut Health, Probiotics and Prebiotics* provides a comprehensive overview of the current knowledge of the gut microbiomes of fish and their importance
