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under the microscope. The result is an internationally focused account of the role of food markets today with history and future trends and prospects analyzed alongside contemporary issues"--
