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Despite apocalyptic predictions from a vocal alliance of health

levels would lead to a global health crisis, the crisis has not

professionals, politicians and social commentators that rising obesity

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materialised. In this provocative follow up to his classic work of obesity scepticism, The Obesity Epidemic, Michael Gard argues that we have entered into a new, and perhaps terminal, phase of the obesity debate. Evidence suggests that obesity rates are levelling off in Western societies, life expectancies continue to rise in line with rising obesity rates, and across the world po