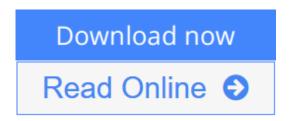


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Thomas W. Rowland, MD Editor, Pediatric Exercise Science Author of Developmental Exercise Physiology

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