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2) Sasaki, H. (2003). Freeze-Fracture Analysis of Renal-Epithelial Tight Junctions. *Methods in Molecular Medicine* (Ed. Goligorsky, M.S.), Humana Press Inc., Totowa NJ, pp.155-166.
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