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3)Lenz G, Wright G, Dave SS, et al. : Stromal gene signatures in large-B-cell lymphomas. N Engl J Med 359 : 2313-2323, 2008

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• Books and other monographs

1)Yoshihito Y : Cell membrane, First ed, Weinheim, Germany, Wiley-VCH Verlag. 2003, pp 27-46

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