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At the light of the following studies studies, focusing on the main role of genetic and epigenetic control of metabolism and the key role played by metabolic syndrome in inducing HCC, authors are kindly requested to deepen this aspect in the context of



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It is a well written and documented study

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