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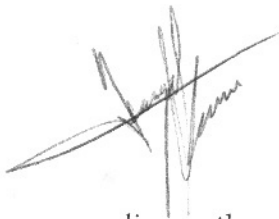
Timing, Method, and Discontinuation of Hydrocortisone Administration for Septic Shock Patients

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All study participants, or their next of kin, provided informed written consent prior to study enrollment.

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On behalf of all authors,



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