

Long Noncoding RNA UCA1 Targets miR-582-5p and Contributes to the Progression and Drug Resistance of Bladder Cancer Cells Through ATG7-Mediated Autophagy Inhibition [Retraction]

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