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A DNA Adenine Methyltransferase of *Escherichia coli* That Is Cell Cycle Regulated and Essential for Viability

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