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MicroRNA-216b reduces growth, migration and invasion of pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma cells by directly targeting ρ -associated coiled-coil containing protein kinase 1

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