
Effects of a new modified, balanced hydroxyethyl starch preparation (Hextend[®]) on measures of coagulation

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