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Saavedra	Harold I.	BS, PhD	hsaavedra@psm.edu	Associate Professor	School of Medicine	The study of how dysregulated Rb/E2F pathway drives triple-negative breast cancer, Mitotic kinases regulated by E2F transcription factors as therapeutic targets against metastatic triple-negative breast cancers. Roles of E2F-regulated mitotic kinases in	Moffitt Cancer Center, Hispanic Alliance
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