Potential use of alginate bead as chondrocyte delivery vehicle and stepwisely dissolving porogen in hydrogel scaffold for cartilage tissue engineering

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