



Role of IgM/IgG Donor-Specific HLA Antibodies (DSAs) in Humoral Immune Reactions against Transplanted Grafts

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Currently, organ transplants are performed throughout the world. The success of this versatile life-saving procedure largely rests on the development of effective immunosuppressive therapies that prevent rejection of transplanted organ tissue.

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