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Sotatercept, a novel transforming growth factor beta ligand trap,  
improves anemia in beta-thalassemia: a phase 2, open-label,  
dose-finding study

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