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Micronucleus

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Source

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A toxicology screening result where proliferating cells that are exposed to a genotoxic chemical produce some daughter cells containing cytoplasmic bodies that are comprised of chromosomes or chromosome fragments, which were not sorted properly during mitosis or meiosis, and are bounded by a nuclear membrane.