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Title: Risk factors of early childhood caries (ECC) among children in Beijing - a prospective cohort study

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a- the main issue is related to the ethical consideration. The patients affected at baseline were treated? Or patients that at baseline had a higher mutans streptococci concentration had some kind of preventive measure?

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