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Title: Nivolumab Induced Remitting Seronegative Symmetrical Synovitis with Pitting Edema in a Patient with Melanoma: A Case Report

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Include references in order of appearance, In the introduction, it starts with the 24 in spite of with reference number 1.

Page 7: Figures 2-3 instead of 3-4. However figure 3 (Rx of hands normal), does not add anything. Better to remove it.

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