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In an effort to examine the impact of obesity on the outcomes of treatments for <u>lumbar disc</u> herniation, Jeffrey A. Rihn, M.D., from the Thomas Jefferson University Hospital in Philadelphia, and colleagues compared 854 non-obese patients with a body mass index of



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