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Book titles

White AA, Panjabi MM. *Clinical Biomechanics of the Spine*. Second Edition. Philadelphia: J.B. Lippincott Company, 1990

Internet sources

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