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Reuters, 2016-1-27

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The Washington Post, 2016-1-28



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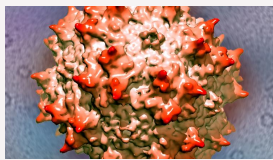
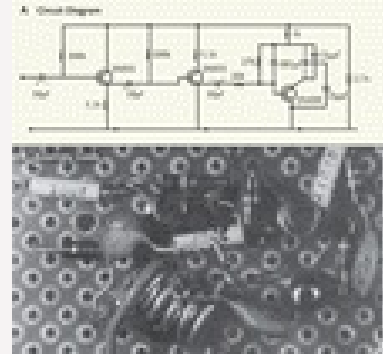
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New England Journal of Medicine, 2016-1-28

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Portland Business Journal, 2016-1-27

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FiercePharma, 2016-1-28



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Scientific American, 2016-1-19

"One person has died, and five others were hospitalized, after a clinical trial of an experimental drug in France went tragically wrong. But days after the first public acknowledgement of the incident on 15 January, a lack of official information has left outside experts and the public largely in the dark as to what happened..."

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