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About A-T

Ataxia-telangiectasia is a rare autosomal recessive disorder affecting approximately 1 in 40,000 to 100,000 individuals worldwide. It is characterised by progressive cerebellar degeneration, immune deficiencies and increased cancer risk. Currently, there is no cure for A-T.

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