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| Clinical Interests | Our research investigates the roles of elevated reactive oxygen species (ROS) in the development of pulmonary hypertension associated with neonatal diseases including persistent pulmonary hypertension of the newborn (PPHN) and bronchopulmonary dysplasia (BPD). By identifying the sources of ROS and the molecular signaling pathways they influence, we aim to develop better detection and treatment strategies for newborns with PPHN and BPD. |
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