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The CCN Proteins are thought to play key roles in the biology of normal cell, tissue, organ, and body, and altered expression of CCNproteins is associated with several pathologies, including fibrosis and cancer. Because of its importance, the CCN field is expanding at a fast pace.

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