Whose goals are they?

Navigating diverse institutional cultures and shared responsibility for creating digital resources in the history of medicine
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Syphilis poème en quatre chants, 4e éd. entièrement revue et augmentée d'un chant. 1851.
Medical Heritage Library

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Institutional Priority and Collaboration

Moche Sacrifice Ceremony, AD 100-700, Peru. Drawn by Donna McClelland.
Huaura Valley, Peru
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Research Potential

Epidemiology of complex genetic disorders - text mining

Andrey Rzhetsky
"Wound Man" Gale's *Certaine workes of chirurgerie*. 1563.