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• Constipation & faecal incontinence
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• Anxiety syndrome
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• Impaired immunity & infections
• Nutrition disorders

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