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VETERINARY FORENSICS

MOCK TRIAL

The OSU Shelter Medicine club is hosting a mock trial with some of the leading veterinary forensics experts



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