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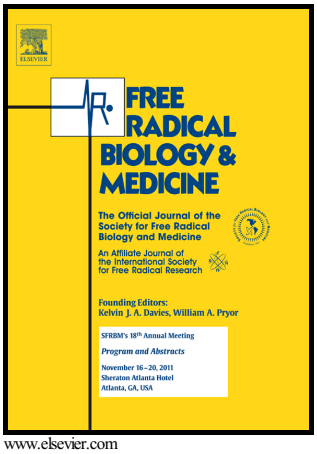

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Abstract:

The anti-phospholipid syndrome (APS) is a prothrombotic autoimmune disorder characterized by either thrombosis or pregnancy complications in the setting of persistent anti-phospholipid antibodies (aPL). βeta 2-glycoprotein I (β2-GPI) is the major autoantigen in APS that binds anionic phospholipids as well as specific receptors on platelets and endothelial cells resulting in activation of prothrombotic pathways. β2-GPI consists of 5 Domains that exist in a circular or linear form, with the latter occurring after binding to anionic phospholipids. β2-GPI also undergoes