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Test methods for wound dressings - Aspects of absorption, moisture vapour transmission, waterproofness and extensibility

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