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Part 1: Mercury Content in Tuna

A Super Bowl commercial for weight loss drugs causes an uproar; Adding a familiar amino acid to tuna reduces mercury content; Rethinking epidural shots for back pain; CV Sciences debuts innovative new CBD gummies, drinks.

Part 2: Vitamin D and Thyroid

Taxpayers dollars went to doxxing opponents of pesticides, GMOs; Strontium for fracture healing? Vitamin D helps thyroid; Study highlights harmful effects of ultra-processed foods on cognition; Brain function needn’t decline with age, may improve

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