

EXPERIENCING AND EXPLAINING CANCER: A CRITICAL STUDY
OF TURKISH MODERNITY THROUGH THE CANCER PATIENTS'
ILLNESS NARRATIVES

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