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3	Multi-photon excitation microscopy. BioMedical Engineering OnLine, 2006, 5, 36.	2.7	132
4	Extracellular NAD ⁺ is an Agonist of the Human P2Y ₁₁ Purinergic Receptor in Human Granulocytes. Journal of Biological Chemistry, 2006, 281, 31419-31429.	3.4	129
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22	Extracellular NAD ⁺ regulates intracellular calcium levels and induces activation of human granulocytes. <i>Biochemical Journal</i> , 2006, 393, 697-704.	3.7	67
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24	Abnormal exocytotic release of glutamate in a mouse model of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis. <i>Journal of Neurochemistry</i> , 2011, 116, 1028-1042.	3.9	63
25	P2X7-mediated Increased Intracellular Calcium Causes Functional Derangement in Schwann Cells from Rats with CMT1A Neuropathy. <i>Journal of Biological Chemistry</i> , 2009, 284, 23146-23158.	3.4	60
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75	GABA receptor subunits identified in Paramecium by immunofluorescence confocal microscopy. <i>FEMS Microbiology Letters</i> , 2004, 238, 449-453.	1.8	13
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92	Co-Existence of GABA and Glu Transporters in the Central Nervous System. <i>Current Topics in Medicinal Chemistry</i> , 2006, 6, 979-988.	2.1	8
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102	Visualizing GABAB Receptor Internalization and Intracellular Trafficking. <i>Neuromethods</i> , 2012, , 71-95.	0.3	0
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