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1	Effects of docosanyl ferulate, a constituent of <i>Withania somnifera</i> , on ethanol- and morphine-elicited conditioned place preference and ERK phosphorylation in the accumbens shell of CD1 mice. <i>Psychopharmacology</i> , 2022, 239, 795.	3.1	5
2	Alcohol as Prodrug of Salsolinol. , 2022, , 1-24.		0
3	Impact of Caffeine on Ethanol-Induced Stimulation and Sensitization: Changes in ERK and DARPP-32 Phosphorylation in Nucleus Accumbens. <i>Alcoholism: Clinical and Experimental Research</i> , 2021, 45, 608-619.	2.4	5
4	The biologically active compound of <i>Withania somnifera</i> (L.) Dunal, docosanyl ferulate, is endowed with potent anxiolytic properties but devoid of typical benzodiazepine-like side effects. <i>Journal of Psychopharmacology</i> , 2021, 35, 026988112110085.	4.0	5
5	Ethanol-Dependent Synthesis of Salsolinol in the Posterior Ventral Tegmental Area as Key Mechanism of Ethanol's Action on Mesolimbic Dopamine. <i>Frontiers in Neuroscience</i> , 2021, 15, 675061.	2.8	14
6	Neuroprotective effect of (R)-(-)-linalool on oxidative stress in PC12 cells. <i>Phytomedicine Plus</i> , 2021, 1, 100073.	2.0	7
7	Effects of caffeine on ethanol-elicited place preference, place aversion and ERK phosphorylation in CD-1 mice. <i>Journal of Psychopharmacology</i> , 2020, 34, 1357-1370.	4.0	7
8	Editorial: Is Early Onset of Alcohol Use Associated With Later Alcohol Use?. <i>Frontiers in Behavioral Neuroscience</i> , 2020, 14, 133.	2.0	2
9	Inhibition of Morphine- and Ethanol-Mediated Stimulation of Mesolimbic Dopamine Neurons by <i>Withania somnifera</i> . <i>Frontiers in Neuroscience</i> , 2019, 13, 545.	2.8	22
10	Ferulic Acid Esters and Withanolides: In Search of <i>Withania somnifera</i> GABA _A Receptor Modulators. <i>Journal of Natural Products</i> , 2019, 82, 1250-1257.	3.0	13
11	Simultaneous wireless and high-resolution detection of nucleus accumbens shell ethanol concentrations and free motion of rats upon voluntary ethanol intake. <i>Alcohol</i> , 2019, 78, 69-78.	1.7	3
12	Not Just from Ethanol. Tetrahydroisoquinolinic (TIQ) Derivatives: from Neurotoxicity to Neuroprotection. <i>Neurotoxicity Research</i> , 2019, 36, 653-668.	2.7	21
13	Neurobiological Aspects of Ethanol-Derived Salsolinol. , 2019, , 227-235.		0
14	Active avoidance learning differentially activates ERK phosphorylation in the primary auditory and visual cortices of Roman high- and low-avoidance rats. <i>Physiology and Behavior</i> , 2019, 201, 31-41.	2.1	3
15	Evidence of a PPAR β -mediated mechanism in the ability of <i>Withania somnifera</i> to attenuate tolerance to the antinociceptive effects of morphine. <i>Pharmacological Research</i> , 2019, 139, 422-430.	7.1	10
16	Sex-specific differences in cannabinoid-induced extracellular-signal-regulated kinase phosphorylation in the cingulate cortex, prefrontal cortex, and nucleus accumbens of Lister Hooded rats. <i>Behavioural Pharmacology</i> , 2018, 29, 473-481.	1.7	8
17	Effects of morphine on place conditioning and ERK1/2 phosphorylation in the nucleus accumbens of psychogenetically selected Roman low- and high-avoidance rats. <i>Psychopharmacology</i> , 2018, 235, 59-69.	3.1	9
18	Standardized phytotherapeutic extracts rescue anomalous locomotion and electrophysiological responses of TDP-43 <i>Drosophila melanogaster</i> model of ALS. <i>Scientific Reports</i> , 2018, 8, 16002.	3.3	14

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19	Editorial: Ethanol, Its Active Metabolites, and Their Mechanisms of Action: Neurophysiological and Behavioral Effects. <i>Frontiers in Behavioral Neuroscience</i> , 2018, 12, 95.	2.0	3
20	The standardized <i>Withania somnifera</i> Dunal root extract alters basal and morphine-induced opioid receptor gene expression changes in neuroblastoma cells. <i>BMC Complementary and Alternative Medicine</i> , 2018, 18, 9.	3.7	14
21	Differential effects of phytotherapeutic preparations in the hSOD1 <i>Drosophila melanogaster</i> model of ALS. <i>Scientific Reports</i> , 2017, 7, 41059.	3.3	17
22	Differential effects of the MEK inhibitor SL327 on the acquisition and expression of ethanol-elicited conditioned place preference and aversion in mice. <i>Journal of Psychopharmacology</i> , 2017, 31, 105-114.	4.0	5
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26	Role of nucleus accumbens μ opioid receptors in the effects of morphine on ERK1/2 phosphorylation. <i>Psychopharmacology</i> , 2016, 233, 2943-2954.	3.1	9
27	Functional and Morphological Correlates in the <i>Drosophila</i> LRRK2 loss-of-function Model of Parkinson's Disease: Drug Effects of <i>Withania somnifera</i> (Dunal) Administration. <i>PLoS ONE</i> , 2016, 11, e0146140.	2.5	24
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30	Tea component, epigallocatechin gallate, potentiates anticataleptic and locomotor-sensitizing effects of caffeine in mice. <i>Behavioural Pharmacology</i> , 2015, 26, 125-132.	1.7	3
31	Role of ethanol-derived acetaldehyde in operant oral self-administration of ethanol in rats. <i>Psychopharmacology</i> , 2015, 232, 4269-4276.	3.1	25
32	<i>Withania somnifera</i> Dunal (Indian ginseng) impairs acquisition and expression of ethanol-elicited conditioned place preference and conditioned place aversion. <i>Journal of Psychopharmacology</i> , 2015, 29, 1191-1199.	4.0	8
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35	Effects of <i>Withania somnifera</i> on oral ethanol self-administration in rats. <i>Behavioural Pharmacology</i> , 2014, 25, 618-628.	1.7	16
36	Differential sensitivity of ethanol-elicited ERK phosphorylation in nucleus accumbens of Sardinian alcohol-preferring and -non preferring rats. <i>Alcohol</i> , 2014, 48, 471-476.	1.7	8

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38	An Overview on Biologic Medications and Their Possible Role in Apical Periodontitis. <i>Journal of Endodontics</i> , 2014, 40, 1902-1911.	3.1	45
39	Mucuna pruriens (Velvet bean) Rescues Motor, Olfactory, Mitochondrial and Synaptic Impairment in PINK1B9 <i>Drosophila melanogaster</i> Genetic Model of Parkinson's Disease. <i>PLoS ONE</i> , 2014, 9, e110802.	2.5	39
40	Effects of L-Cysteine on Reinstatement of Ethanol-Seeking Behavior and on Reinstatement-Elicited Extracellular Signal-Regulated Kinase Phosphorylation in the Rat Nucleus Accumbens Shell. <i>Alcoholism: Clinical and Experimental Research</i> , 2013, 37, E329-37.	2.4	17
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50	Role of dopamine D ₁ receptors in caffeine-mediated ERK phosphorylation in the rat brain. <i>Synapse</i> , 2010, 64, 341-349.	1.2	20
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72	Cannabinoid CB1 receptor agonists increase rat cortical and hippocampal acetylcholine release in vivo. <i>European Journal of Pharmacology</i> , 2000, 401, 179-185.	3.5	72

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75	Dopamine D1 receptor-mediated control of striatal acetylcholine release by endogenous dopamine. European Journal of Pharmacology, 1999, 383, 121-127.	3.5	18
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