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1	Comment on "Generalized Gradient Approximation Made Simple" Physical Review Letters, 1998, 80, 890-890.	7.8	2,323
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