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List of Publications by Year
in descending order

92 papers	5,017 citations	136950 32 h-index	95266 68 g-index
93 all docs	93 docs citations	93 times ranked	4939 citing authors

#	Article	IF	Citations
1	Complement evasion factor (CEF), a novel immune evasion factor of <i>Streptococcus pyogenes</i>. Virulence, 2022, 13, 225-240.	4.4	7
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3	PilVax: A Novel Platform for the Development of Mucosal Vaccines. Methods in Molecular Biology, 2022, 2412, 399-410.	0.9	0
4	Functional Characterisation of Two Novel Deacetylases from Streptococcus pyogenes. Microbiology Research, 2022, 13, 323-331.	1.9	1
5	A multivalent T-antigen-based vaccine for Group A Streptococcus. Scientific Reports, 2021, 11, 4353.	3.3	20
6	Intranasal immunization with Ag85B peptide 25 displayed on <i>Lactococcus</i><i>lactis</i> using the PilVax platform induces antigenâ€specific Bâ€and Tâ€cell responses. Immunology and Cell Biology, 2021, 99, 767-781.	2.3	6
7	Preformulation studies of thymopentin: analytical method development, physicochemical properties, kinetic degradation investigations and formulation perspective. Drug Development and Industrial Pharmacy, 2021, 47, 1680-1692.	2.0	6
8	Streptococcus pyogenes nuclease A (SpnA) mediated virulence does not exclusively depend on nuclease activity. Journal of Microbiology, Immunology and Infection, 2020, 53, 42-48.	3.1	11
9	Cell wallâ€anchored 5â€²â€nucleotidases in Gramâ€positive cocci. Molecular Microbiology, 2020, 113, 691-698.	2.5	12
10	Functional Analysis of Two Novel Streptococcus iniae Virulence Factors Using a Zebrafish Infection Model. Microorganisms, 2020, 8, 1361.	3.6	10
11	Development and Evaluation of a New Triplex Immunoassay That Detects Group A <i>Streptococcus</i> Antibodies for the Diagnosis of Rheumatic Fever. Journal of Clinical Microbiology, 2020, 58, .	3.9	10
12	The Use of Galleria mellonella (Wax Moth) as an Infection Model for Group A Streptococcus. Methods in Molecular Biology, 2020, 2136, 279-286.	0.9	11
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14	Assays to Analyze Adhesion of Group A Streptococcus to Host Cells. Methods in Molecular Biology, 2020, 2136, 271-278.	0.9	2
15	Generation of Bioluminescent Group A Streptococcus for Biophotonic Imaging. Methods in Molecular Biology, 2020, 2136, 71-77.	0.9	1
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17	Impact of Superantigen-Producing Bacteria on T Cells from Tonsillar Hyperplasia. Pathogens, 2019, 8, 90.	2.8	9
18	Group A <i>Streptococcus</i> T Antigens Have a Highly Conserved Structure Concealed under a Heterogeneous Surface That Has Implications for Vaccine Design. Infection and Immunity, 2019, 87, .	2.2	14

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19	Orthologues of Streptococcus pyogenes nuclease A (SpnA) and Streptococcal 5â€²-nucleotidase A (S5nA) found in Streptococcus iniae. Journal of Biochemistry, 2018, 164, 165-171.	1.7	5
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37	Structure and Activity of Streptococcus pyogenes SipA: A Signal Peptidase-Like Protein Essential for Pilus Polymerisation. PLoS ONE, 2014, 9, e99135.	2.5	14
38	Survey of the bp/tee genes from clinical group A streptococcus isolates in New Zealand â€“ implications for vaccine development. Journal of Medical Microbiology, 2014, 63, 1670-1678.	1.8	24
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44	<i>Galleria mellonella</i>larvae as an infection model for group A streptococcus. Virulence, 2013, 4, 419-428.	4.4	154
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86	Superantigens: Just Like Peptides Only Different. Journal of Experimental Medicine, 1998, 187, 819-821.	8.5	39
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