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#	ARTICLE	IF	CITATIONS
1	Activating Receptors and Coreceptors Involved in Human Natural Killer Cell-Mediated Cytolysis. Annual Review of Immunology, 2001, 19, 197-223.	21.8	1,609
2	RECEPTORS FOR HLA CLASS-I MOLECULES IN HUMAN NATURAL KILLER CELLS. Annual Review of Immunology, 1996, 14, 619-648.	21.8	833
3	Identification of PVR (CD155) and Nectin-2 (CD112) as Cell Surface Ligands for the Human DNAM-1 (CD226) Activating Molecule. Journal of Experimental Medicine, 2003, 198, 557-567.	8.5	779
4	Characterization of an Antigen That Is Recognized on a Melanoma Showing Partial HLA Loss by CTL Expressing an NK Inhibitory Receptor. Immunity, 1997, 6, 199-208.	14.3	685
5	NKp44, a Novel Triggering Surface Molecule Specifically Expressed by Activated Natural Killer Cells, Is Involved in Non-MHC-restricted Tumor Cell Lysis. Journal of Experimental Medicine, 1998, 187, 2065-2072.	8.5	641
6	Transforming growth factor β 1 inhibits expression of NKp30 and NKG2D receptors: Consequences for the NK-mediated killing of dendritic cells. Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America, 2003, 100, 4120-4125.	7.1	588
7	Molecular clones of the p58 NK cell receptor reveal immunoglobulin-related molecules with diversity in both the extra- and intracellular domains. Immunity, 1995, 2, 439-449.	14.3	561
8	P58 molecules as putative receptors for major histocompatibility complex (MHC) class I molecules in human natural killer (NK) cells. Anti-p58 antibodies reconstitute lysis of MHC class I-protected cells in NK clones displaying different specificities.. Journal of Experimental Medicine, 1993, 178, 597-604.	8.5	513
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15	The human leukocyte antigen (HLA)-C-specific "activatory" or "inhibitory" natural killer cell receptors display highly homologous extracellular domains but differ in their transmembrane and intracytoplasmic portions.. Journal of Experimental Medicine, 1996, 183, 645-650.	8.5	326
16	The tryptophan catabolite l-kynurenine inhibits the surface expression of NKp46- and NKG2D-activating receptors and regulates NK-cell function. Blood, 2006, 108, 4118-4125.	1.4	323
17	Effect of tumor cells and tumor microenvironment on NK cell function. European Journal of Immunology, 2014, 44, 1582-1592.	2.9	313
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20	Killer Ig-Like Receptors (KIRs): Their Role in NK Cell Modulation and Developments Leading to Their Clinical Exploitation. <i>Frontiers in Immunology</i> , 2019, 10, 1179.	4.8	269
21	Melanoma Cells Inhibit Natural Killer Cell Function by Modulating the Expression of Activating Receptors and Cytolytic Activity. <i>Cancer Research</i> , 2012, 72, 1407-1415.	0.9	267
22	Melanoma-associated fibroblasts modulate NK cell phenotype and antitumor cytotoxicity. <i>Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America</i> , 2009, 106, 20847-20852.	7.1	264
23	Effector and regulatory events during natural killer-dendritic cell interactions. <i>Immunological Reviews</i> , 2006, 214, 219-228.	6.0	261
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27	Human natural killer cell receptors for HLA-class I molecules. Evidence that the Kp43 (CD94) molecule functions as receptor for HLA-B alleles. <i>Journal of Experimental Medicine</i> , 1994, 180, 545-555.	8.5	204
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35	Natural killer cells kill human melanoma cells with characteristics of cancer stem cells. <i>International Immunology</i> , 2009, 21, 793-801.	4.0	134
36	CD94 functions as a natural killer cell inhibitory receptor for different HLA class I alleles: identification of the inhibitory form of CD94 by the use of novel monoclonal antibodies. <i>European Journal of Immunology</i> , 1996, 26, 2487-2492.	2.9	130

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38	Human natural killer cells: Molecular mechanisms controlling NK cell activation and tumor cell lysis. <i>Immunology Letters</i> , 2005, 100, 7-13.	2.5	113
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59	NK-cell Editing Mediates Epithelial-to-Mesenchymal Transition via Phenotypic and Proteomic Changes in Melanoma Cell Lines. <i>Cancer Research</i> , 2018, 78, 3913-3925.	0.9	53
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74	Analysis of NK cell/DC interaction in NK-type lymphoproliferative disease of granular lymphocytes (LDGL): role of DNAM-1 and NKp30. <i>Experimental Hematology</i> , 2009, 37, 1167-1175.	0.4	15
75	Melanoma immunoediting by NK cells. <i>Oncolmmunology</i> , 2012, 1, 1607-1609.	4.6	15
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77	Expression of the Pseudorabies Virus gB Glycoprotein Triggers NK Cell Cytotoxicity and Increases Binding of the Activating NK Cell Receptor PILRI ² . <i>Journal of Virology</i> , 2019, 93, .	3.4	10
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80	Inhibitory and Activatory Receptors for HLA Class I Molecules in Human Natural Killer Cells. <i>Chemical Immunology and Allergy</i> , 1996, 64, 77-87.	1.7	7
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82	Editorial: Natural Killer Cells in Tissue Compartments. <i>Frontiers in Immunology</i> , 2020, 11, 258.	4.8	7
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85	Inhibitory and Activatory Receptors for HLA Class I Molecules in Human Natural Killer Cells. <i>Chemical Immunology and Allergy</i> , 1996, 64, 77-87.	1.7	4
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