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1	Score-based prediction of genomic islands in prokaryotic genomes using hidden Markov models. BMC Bioinformatics, 2006, 7, 142.	1.2	349
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