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1	Constitutive activity of receptors coupled to guanine nucleotide regulatory proteins. Trends in Pharmacological Sciences, 1993, 14, 303-307.	4.0	756
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3	Allosteric nanobodies reveal the dynamic range and diverse mechanisms of G-protein-coupled receptor activation. Nature, 2016, 535, 448-452.	13.7	290
4	Is the benzodiazepine receptor coupled to a chloride anion channel?. Nature, 1979, 277, 315-317.	13.7	209
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28	Pertussis toxin decreases opiate receptor binding and adenylate inhibition in a neuroblastoma x glioma hybrid cell line. <i>Life Sciences</i> , 1983, 33, 219-222.	2.0	37
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58	Constitutively Active G Protein-Coupled Receptor Mutants: Implications on Receptor Function and Drug Action. <i>Assay and Drug Development Technologies</i> , 2003, 1, 311-316.	0.6	15
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77	Cholera toxin differentially decreases membrane levels of alpha and beta subunits of G proteins in NG108-15 cells. <i>FEBS Journal</i> , 1990, 188, 567-576.	0.2	10
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84	Synergistic effect of basic residues at positions 14 and 15 of nociceptin on binding affinity and receptor activation. <i>Bioorganic and Medicinal Chemistry</i> , 2008, 16, 9261-9267.	1.4	8
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95	Discriminatory synergistic effect of Trp-substitutions in superagonist [(Arg/Lys) ¹⁴ , (Arg/Lys) ¹⁵]nociceptin on ORL1 receptor binding and activation. <i>Bioorganic and Medicinal Chemistry</i> , 2009, 17, 5683-5687.	1.4	5
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