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1	Functional divergence of the pigmentation gene melanocortin-1 receptor (MC1R) in six endemic Macaca species on Sulawesi Island. <i>Scientific Reports</i> , 2022, 12, 7593.	1.6	1
2	Functional Diversity and Evolution of Bitter Taste Receptors in Egg-Laying Mammals. <i>Molecular Biology and Evolution</i> , 2022, 39, .	3.5	2
3	Predicted structural differences of four fertility-related Y-chromosome proteins in <i>Macaca mulatta</i> , <i>M. fascicularis</i> , and their Indochinese hybrids. <i>Proteins: Structure, Function and Bioinformatics</i> , 2021, 89, 361-370.	1.5	1
4	Generation of intestinal chemosensory cells from nonhuman primate organoids. <i>Biochemical and Biophysical Research Communications</i> , 2021, 536, 20-25.	1.0	5
5	Light-induced difference FTIR spectroscopy of primate blue-sensitive visual pigment at 163 K. <i>Biophysics and Physicobiology</i> , 2021, 18, 40-49.	0.5	4
6	Expression of TAS2R14 in the intestinal endocrine cells of non-human primates. <i>Genes and Genomics</i> , 2021, 43, 259-267.	0.5	2
7	The enhancer activity of long interspersed nuclear element derived microRNA 625 induced by NF- κ B. <i>Scientific Reports</i> , 2021, 11, 3139.	1.6	4
8	Lowered sensitivity of bitter taste receptors to β -glucosides in bamboo lemurs: an instance of parallel and adaptive functional decline in TAS2R16?. <i>Proceedings of the Royal Society B: Biological Sciences</i> , 2021, 288, 20210346.	1.2	7
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10	Interleukin-4 Promotes Tuft Cell Differentiation and Acetylcholine Production in Intestinal Organoids of Non-Human Primate. <i>International Journal of Molecular Sciences</i> , 2021, 22, 7921.	1.8	8
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14	A comprehensive analysis of chimpanzee (<i>Pan Troglodytes</i>)-specific AluYb8 element. <i>Genes and Genomics</i> , 2020, 42, 1207-1213.	0.5	0
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19	Expression of Bitter Taste Receptors in the Intestinal Cells of Non-Human Primates. <i>International Journal of Molecular Sciences</i> , 2020, 21, 902.	1.8	11
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