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Journal Articles

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A Book

Durbin R, Eddy SR, Krogh A, Mitchison G. *Biological Sequence Analysis: Probabilistic Models of Proteins and Nucleic Acids.* Cambridge University Press, 1999.

A Chapter in a Book

Nadkarni KM. *Indian Materia Medica.* Edn 3, Vol. I, Popular Prakashan, Mumbai, 2000, pp. 242-246.

A Report

Makarewicz JC, Lewis T, Bertram P. Epilimnetic phytoplankton and zooplankton biomass and species composition in Lake Michigan, 1983-1992. U.S. EPA Great Lakes National Program, Chicago, 1995, IL. EPA 905-R-95-009.

Conference Proceedings

Stock A, Signal Transduction in Bacteria. In the Proceedings of the 2004 Markey Scholars Conference, 2004, pp. 80-89.

A Thesis

Strunk, JL. The extraction of mercury from sediment and the geochemical partitioning of mercury in sediments from Lake Superior, M. S. thesis, Michigan State Univ., East Lansing, MI, 1991.

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