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1. Kargl J, Balenga N, Parzmair GP, Brown AJ, Heinemann A, Waldhoer M. **The cannabinoid receptor CB₁ modulates signalling properties of the lysophosphatidylinositol receptor GPR55.** *J Biol Chem*, 2012; 287(53): 44234–44248.

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