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Dear Dr. Benjamin Werth, Science Editor - Chemistry | Biochemistry JoVE

Please, find enclosed the manuscript entitled "MS-Guided Genome Mining as Tool to Uncover New Natural Products", authored by Renata Sigrist, Bruno S. Paulo, Célio F. F. Angolini and Luciana G. de Oliveira, and submitted to be considered for publication in *JoVE* as a Methods Article – JoVEProduced Video.

Useful and fast methodologies to perform a wide-ranging evaluation of natural products are often desired and, since the introduction of genome mining as a powerful tool to promote dereplication of secondary metabolites, research in Natural Product has reached an ultimate level. "MS-Guided Genome Mining" particularly is very advantageous to target new molecules backbones or even to harvest a metabolic profile in order to identify analogues from already known compounds. In this article, we describe a protocol that provides the correlation of Genome Mining and Molecular Network to direct the discovery of new natural entities from crude metabolic extracts in which the main components are previously elected, and structurally related new candidates can also be associated with the genome sequence annotation.

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Sincerely yours,

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