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## Publications

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6. BAINES, JOHN F., STANLEY A. SAWYER, DANIEL L. HARTL, and JOHN PARSCHE (2008) Effects of X-linkage and sex-biased gene expression on the rate of adaptive protein evolution in *Drosophila*. *Mol. Biol. Evol.* **25**, 1639–1650.
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