Electronic Supporting Information

Curcumin-nicotinoyl derivative and its transitional metal complexes: synthesis, characterization, *in silico* and *in vitro* selective anticancer, and anti-bacterial behaviors

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