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Johannes won the award with his review article "Cytotoxic Agents of the Crinane Series of Amaryllidaceae Alkaloids " *Natural Product Communications*, 7, 1677-1688 (2012), which is coauthored with Jerald J. Nair, Jaume Bastida and Francesc Viladomat. It provides a very thorough and careful presentation of crinane-type Amaryllidaceae alkaloids which could be important for researchers searching for new leads for anti-cancer agents.

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