

**STUDIES ON THE BIOCHEMISTRY AND MOLECULAR
BIOLOGY OF A THERMOPHILIC XYLOSE ISOMERASE**

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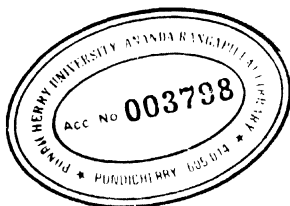
Cereus pterogonus AND Opuntia vulgaris

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