



Análisis morfológico y morfométrico de *Tityus* (*Tityus*) *sorataensis* Kraepelin 1911 (Escorpionida: Buthidae) de dos valles mesotérmicos andinos, Quime y Cheje, La Paz-Bolivia [

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Analítica

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