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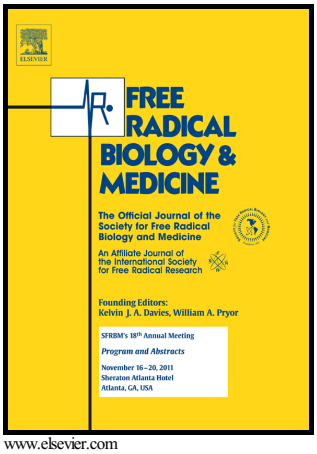

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Abstract.

Escherichia coli is a model organism that has been exploited to reveal key details of hydrogen peroxide stress: the biomolecules that H_2O_2 most rapidly damages and the defensive tactics that organisms use to fend it off. Much less clear is the amount of exogenous H_2O_2 that is sufficient to injure the bacterium and/or to trigger its stress response. To fill this gap, we need to study the behavior of cells