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Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.	References need to be changed in the introduction to fit the meaning of the work and update older citations.	
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