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Further reading and more information:
http://www.botanik.bio.lmu.de/personen/wiss_mitarbeiter/kleine/index.html
Kleine T, Leister D (2015) Emerging functions of mammalian and plant mTERFs. Biochim Biophys Acta 1847:786-797

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Applications (CV, letter of motivation and the contact details of two referees) should be sent per e-mail (subject: “Position gene expression and retrograde signalling”) until 03.05.2019 to tatjana.kleine@lmu.de

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