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## Book:

Hernández Sampieri, R., Fernández Collado, C., & Baptista Lucio, P. (1998). *Metodología de la investigación*. México: Editorial Mc Graw Hill.

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Martínez, F. (2004). Ciencia en acción. In F. Requeijo Domínguez (Ed.), *Ciencia, tecnología y sociedad* (pp. 129-134). México: Editorial Mc Graw Hill.

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Muñoz Castillo, L. (2004). Determinación del conocimiento sobre inteligencia emocional que poseen los maestros y la importancia que le adscriben al concepto en el aprovechamiento de los estudiantes. (Unpublished master thesis). Universidad Metropolitana, San Juan, PR.

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