Author's guidelines

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- Petrak, F. (1947). Südamerikanische Mikromyzeten. Sydowia 1: 289–308.
- Widler, B. & E. Müller (1984). Untersuchungen über endophytische Pilze von Arctostaphylos uva-ursi (L.) Sprengel (Ericaceae). Bot. Helv. 94: 307–337.

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