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The 1979 Jesse M. Greenman Award has been won by Frank Almeda, Jr., for his publication "Systematics of the genus *Monochaetum* (Melastomataceae) in Mexico and Central America" (Univ. California Publ. Bot. 75: vi + 134. 1978). This monographic study is based on a Ph.D. dissertation from the Department of Botany, Duke University.

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