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Bindia Sahu, see *JALCA* 114, 359, 2019

Jay Prakash Ala, see *JALCA* 109, 431, 2014

Gladstone C. Jayakumar, see *JALCA* 106, 68, 2011

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Majher I. Sarker, Ph.D. see *JALCA* 113, 34, 2018

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Cheng-Kung Liu, Ph.D. see *JALCA* 94, 158, 1999

Nicholas P. Latona see *JALCA* 96, 401, 2001

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