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CONTRIBUTIONS : Taxonomical and other studies on cestodes: her taxonomic revision of the genus *Echinococcus*, published in 1965, and the genus *Taenia*, published in 1969, as well as the development of a method for using the golden hamster as definitive host for *Taenia solium* and *Taenia saginata* are highly regarded internationally.

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