Universitas Gadjah Mada (UGM) and University of Helsinki (UH) held the First Indonesian Symposium on Microbial Ecology (InSME1) on 7-8 November 2018 at Universitas Gadjah Mada, Yogyakarta, Indonesia.

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