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**Material in edited book**

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**Journal article with issue number**

**Journal article with author et al.**

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**Article or paper, unpublished**

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PRIVATE COMMUNICATIONS
R. Kibiro Waweru and A. Gakure (private communication, 1997).

COMPUTER PROGRAM
M. F. Verde, computer code MIKE (IBM Laboratories, Pleasantville, NY, 1996).

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