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Crystallographers

Professor **J. D. H. Donnay** has been awarded the **Roebing Medal** of the Mineralogical Society of America, the highest award the Society can bestow. He is the 30th recipient of this medal, established in 1930 and given for 'scientific eminence as represented by publication of outstanding original research in mineralogy'. Professor Donnay, emeritus professor from Johns Hopkins University is now Chargé de cours, Université de Montréal, Canada.

Professor **G. M. J. Schmidt**, Head of the Department of Chemistry and Dean

of the Chemistry Faculty at the Weizmann Institute of Science in Rehovoth, Israel, died July 12, 1971. Born in Berlin in 1919, Gerhard Schmidt studied in London and Oxford. In 1948, he went to Israel and established a Laboratory of X-ray Crystallography in the new Weizmann Institute and steadily broadened its activities in structure determination, solid-state chemistry, and crystal spectroscopy. Professor Schmidt became widely known and respected as a crystallographer and organic chemist who made important contributions in solid-state photochemistry and in the topological control of organic reactions.

Twice he assumed the scientific direction of the Weizman Institute, from 1959 to 1961 and again from 1969 to 1970. Dr. Schmidt also founded the Israel Crystallography Society and was its first President from 1958 to 1960, negotiating its adherence to the International Union of Crystallography.

Dr. **E. Subramanian** has joined the Department of Biochemical Sciences at Princeton University as a Research Associate. He was formerly with the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, as a Pool-officer, Department of Physics.