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GUIDE FOR THE SUBMISSION OF LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letters to the editor do not require peer review. At least 5 references to bibliographic sources are recommended with a maximum of 15 (including the article published in the journal to which the letter refers, if applicable).

The suggested structure for this type of document is as follows:

- Title: Every letter to the editor should have a title that is a concise and accurate description of the purpose of the letter.
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