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PEER-REVIEW PROCESS

1. Initial Editorial Screening

Upon submission, each manuscript is first evaluated by the Editorial Office to ensure:

- Relevance to the scope of the journal
- The reported results have not been published elsewhere.
- High technical standards are followed in the execution of experiments, statistics, and other studies, and adequate detail is provided.
- Compliance with submission guidelines and formatting standards
- Originality and academic merit
- Adherence to ethical publishing practices

Manuscripts failing to meet these criteria may be **desk-rejected** or returned to authors for preliminary revision.

2. Double-Blind Peer Review

Manuscripts that pass the initial screening are sent to **at least two independent Reviewers** for review. Reviewers are selected based on their expertise and experience in the relevant field.

- Reviewers and authors remain anonymous to each other
- Reviewers evaluate the manuscript for originality, methodology, clarity, significance, and validity of results

3. Reviewers' Recommendations

Reviewers provide detailed comments and recommendations, which may include:

- Accept without revision
- Accept with minor revisions
- Revise and resubmit
- Reject

Constructive feedback is shared with authors to help and improve the quality of the manuscript.

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