**COVER LETTER**

To,

The Editor-in-chief

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**Subject:** Submission of Manuscript for publication

We intend to publish an article entitled “**Acute Oxalate Nephropathy in a young boy due to ingesting Averrhoa bilimbi; case report and literature review of an under-recognized cause of tropical renal disease** in your journal as **a Case Report**.

This article has both scientific and educational merit as it emphasises the fact that even commonly consumed fruit can occasionally cause extensive renal damage, sometimes requiring dialysis. The importance of investigating the effects of chronic ingestion of such fruit is also highlighted.

On behalf of all the contributors I will act and guarantor and will correspond with the journal from this point onward.All authors of this case report declare that we qualify for authorship. Each author has participated sufficiently in the work and takes public responsibility for appropriate portions of the content of this article. Each author also acknowledges that this final version was read and approved. We also certify that this work is not considered elsewhere for publication and has not been presented anywhere.

There are no conflicts of interest related to this work, to the best of our knowledge.

We have read the Copyright Policy of the Journal and agree to abide by the same in the event such work is published by the journal.

We would like to suggest the following **reviewer**(s) for the article.

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