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The cover letter is addressed to the Editor-in-chief and will have the value of a declaration of originality of the article to be presented, without prior publication. The following answers should be in the cover letter:

- What is the research question or the hypothesis evaluated?
- What is the most significant contribution of your article to the area of your research?

Presentation

Sections	Abstract Keywords (max. 5) Introduction Materials and Methods Results Discussion Conclusions Acknowledgments (if they exist) References Tables
Language	English
N° of pages	As a general rule, the maximum recommended length is 20 pages in the A4 paper.
Font and type size	Should be used Times New Roman or Arial, 11 points.

Paragraph	Double space, each line of the text should be continuously numbered (if possible)
Title	In English and Spanish Text like a sentence, bold style, and centered alignment, length no more than 150 characters including spaces.
Authors	Name and last name of author/authors, affiliation, address, e-mail of the corresponding author.
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Text

First level headings (use boldface, do not use a period after this heading)

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Third level titles (italics)

Four level titles

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In "**Materials and Methods**," add the name, city, and country of the manufacturers/suppliers after the brand names.

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e.g., purple asparagus cultivar 'Purple Passion'

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e.g., *Asparagus officinalis* L.

e.g., *A. officinalis*

e.g., *Lepidium meyenii* Walpers

e.g., *Cotesia flavipes*

e.g., *Capsicum baccatum* var. Pendulum

e.g., *Alternaria* sp.

e.g., *Gossypium* spp.

e.g., *Fragaria* x *Ananassa* Duch

The part of a name, which denotes the **cultivar**, is to be placed within single quotation marks. The abbreviation “cv.” is not to be used within a scientific name

e.g., *Malus* × *domestica* ‘Golden Delicious’, not *Malus* × *domestica* cv. Golden Delicious.

e.g., *Vaccinium corymbosum* L. ‘Biloxi’

e.g., blueberry (*Vaccinium corymbosum*) cv. ‘Biloxi’

e.g., *Ananas comosus* L. Merr. ‘Golden’

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