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Dear Dr/Mr/Ms:

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My coauthors and I would like to submit the **attached** manuscript entitled "**Acute Mercury Poisoning: A Case Report**" for publication in [*Insert journal name in italics*] as a case report.

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Lack of public awareness of the serious health risks of mercury intoxication can lead to negligence and life-threatening disease conditions. We present a case that highlights how critical public education in this regard is. A 36-year-old woman presented with acute symptoms of mercury poisoning a few days after the sudden death of her 14-month-old healthy infant. She reported that her other child had brought home metallic mercury and placed it on a heating stove one day before her infant died. We administered empirical treatment with NAC because no clinical confirmation could be performed, and the patient was free of any symptoms at the follow-up. This unfortunate case could have been avoided had the teacher and the mother of the child both been more careful and aware of such hazards.

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[Insert information explaining the motivation for submission to this journal in not more than 2–3 sentences] We believe that the findings of this study are relevant to the scope of your journal and will be of interest to its readership.

Please consider, as potential referees, _____.

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This manuscript has not been published or presented elsewhere in part or in entirety, and is not under consideration by another journal. Informed consent for publication of this report was obtained from the patient whose case has been described. All the authors have approved the manuscript and agree with submission to your esteemed journal. There are no conflicts of interest to declare.

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Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.

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Sincerely,

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