

**Co-Editor-in-Chief Decision:**

Christine Klass, 1st July 2021

Unfortunately the language (English) of the manuscript does not have the acceptable standard for publication. In the time available before submitting my decision I revised the manuscript and made suggestions for improvements up to p. 10 (see annotated manuscript). I urge you to thoroughly check the remaining text before resubmission.

Sincerely,

Christine Klaas

**Responses** We thank Christine Klass for her corrections. The suggestions for correction of edits and comments have been taken into account.

To be clearer for the reader, the limit of quantification has been defined in the text (calculated as ten times the standard deviation of ten measurements of the blank), this allows to differentiate from limit of detection (3 times the sd of 10 measurements of the blank).

Since both quantification and quantitation have the same meaning, we prefer to keep the term quantification.