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Dear Editor,

Please find enclosed the original manuscript of our article entitled " **Role of the mycological diagnosis in the management of *tinea capitis*: French recommendations in the post-griseofulvin era**" by Jean-Pierre Gangneux, Sophie Brun, Jean Menotti and Françoise Botterel. The manuscript is in 1049 words and contains 6 references and 1 figure.

We would like to submit this article to be published in your journal as an **editorial**. We hope that this original article will be of interest for the readers of Journal of Medical Mycology. In this article, we review the diagnostic and therapeutic strategies for tinea capitis in children since the cessation of griseofulvin, the only systemic treatment that was available in France for this indication. Mycological diagnosis has become more necessary at the different stages of the management of tinea capitis. This editorial follows the article published in 2022 in Ann Dermatol Venereol with the French Society of Dermatology, the French Paediatric Society, the French Society of Pharmacology and Therapeutics and the SFMM. An algorithm for the management of tinea capitis in children has been validated by the French agency "Agence nationale de sécurité du médicament et des produits de santé", it is reproduced here and requires the agreement of Elsevier for copyright.

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Looking forward to reading your reply,

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President of the French Society of Medical Mycology