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Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	Title seems a little incomprehensive. I suggest “Influence of Alcohol intake on heavy metal accumulation in artisans from three locations in Port Harcourt, Rivers State, Nigeria”	Title revised
Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.	In abstract, the finding that alcohol influences heavy metal accumulation in the artisans is mot included. Since that seems to be the main objective of this study, focus could be given on it more.	Correction made
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