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- whether article contents correspond with its subject (set in title);
 whether article contents correspond with subject directions of the journal;
 whether article contents have certain novelty;
- whether article corresponds with the scientific level of the journal;

- whether article publication is expedient, taking into account earlier publications on this issue and whether it is of interest for a wide circle of readers;

- what exactly are positive sides and shortcomings of the article; what corrections and additions (if any) should be introduced by the author.

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