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Dear Editor,

We kindly ask you to consider our article entitled "Removal of Fe2+, Zn2+ and Mn2+ ions from the mining wastewater by lemon peel waste" by Sladjana Meseldžija, Jelena Petrović, Antonije Onjia, Tatjana Volkov-Husović, Aleksandra Nešić, Nikola Vukelić, for publication in one of the forthcoming issues of *Journal of the Serbian Chemical Society*. This paper is the result of a novel approach finalized to exploit the potential of unmodified lemon peels, as new appealing bio-adsorbent for removal of various metal ions from aqueous and mining wastewater solutions. The adsorbent used in this work showed high efficiency in removal of metal ions from aqueous solutions in only 15 min at acidic conditions.

Since the paper investigated the exploitation of lemon peel as bio-resource and agro-waste and their potential usage in water treatment, all the authors mutually agree that *Journal of the Serbian Chemical Society* could be suitable journal for publication. The authors confirm that the manuscript has not been published anywhere and is not currently under consideration for publication in any other journal, nor will it be submitted for review as long as it is under review for the Journal of the Serbian Chemical Society. All authors confirm that results presented in manuscript are original work, and has been written by the mentioned autors: Sladjana Meseldžija, Jelena Petrović, Antonije Onjia, Tatjana Volkov-Husović, Aleksandra Nešić, Nikola Vukelić. On behalf of all authors, the corresponding author states that there is no conflict of interest.

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