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## EDITORIAL

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In the past it has been the tradition of the Editorial office to leave the editorial judgment for special volumes to the guest editors. This has also been the case with the issue on Anthropology and Genetic Markers edited by Antonio Arnaiz-Villena with the assistance of Luis Allende and Jorge Martinez-Laso. As Editor-in-Chief, I did not read Dr. Antonio Arnaiz-Villena's own paper in Human Immunology in depth until the issue was published.

I regret deeply that the authors have confounded the elegant analysis of the historic basis of the people of the Mediterranean Basin with a political viewpoint representing only one side of a complex political and historical

issue. While the authors have the right to their political opinion they have no special expertise in this area and their views have no place in a scientific journal. The Editors deplore the inappropriate use of a scientific journal for a political agenda and apologize to the readers. This paper has been deleted from the scientific literature.

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