**Letter for waiver**

Dear Editorial board,

We have just submitted a manuscript for appreciation in XXXXXXXXX under the ID# YYYYYY, entitled “ZZZZZZZZZZZZ”.

Unfortunately, I am afraid I will not be able to pay the publication fee for this manuscript in case of acceptance for publication.

I would like to expend the next lines to explain the reasons that force me to ask for a FULL waiver.

#1 – Is has been noticed all around the world that Brazil has been facing the worst political, social and economic crisis in recent history. Since last year, population has facing huge cuts in public services, especially in health and education.

#2 - In this context, in September, 2015, Nature noticed a worrisome, at that time, situation in which Science budget had been cut in about US$500 million or 25% compared to 2014. <http://www.nature.com/news/brazilian-science-paralysed-by-economic-slump-1.18458>

#3 – Since then, more and more cuts has been jeopardized Ministry of Science,Technology, Innovations and Communications, in an order of 75% from the amount of grants approved in 2014.

[*https://www.nature.com/news/brazilian-scientists-reeling-as-federal-funds-slashed-by-nearly-half-1.21766*](https://www.nature.com/news/brazilian-scientists-reeling-as-federal-funds-slashed-by-nearly-half-1.21766)

[*http://www.nature.com/news/brazil-s-scientists-battle-to-escape-20-year-funding-freeze-1.21014*](http://www.nature.com/news/brazil-s-scientists-battle-to-escape-20-year-funding-freeze-1.21014)

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[*http://www.sciencemag.org/news/2016/05/brazil-political-crisis-science-and-environment-are-chopping-block*](http://www.sciencemag.org/news/2016/05/brazil-political-crisis-science-and-environment-are-chopping-block)

[*http://science.sciencemag.org/content/349/6251/909*](http://science.sciencemag.org/content/349/6251/909)

#4 – All this extreme situation was described in a mBIO publication last year. The authors advert that in a general point of view, costs with publication fees represent between 10 to 50% of a Brazilian grant. <http://mbio.asm.org/content/7/3/e00907-16.full.pdf+html>

Taking into account the arguments presented above, I would like to ask, in case of acceptance for publication, for a FULL waiver of publication fees.

Any further questions, please, let me know.

Thanks in advance.

Sincerely yours