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Reference systems [select whichever applies]: a) Author-Date b) Notes & Bibliography c) Botany	X		X
Digital Art Preparation Guide	X		X
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My manuscript is ready for peer review. How do I submit?

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