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They should be ashamed

The spectacle of right-wing Americans doing battle with the editor of a medical journal editor is disheartening to those who espouse editorial independence.¹ My concern is with a right-wing body, the American Medical

Association, and its summary dismissal of Dr. George Lundberg, the respected and long-serving editor of *JAMA*.

During his 17 years with that journal, Lundberg helped it become a first-rank scientific publication. He rigorously adhered to a policy of editorial independence,² a principle endorsed on several occasions by the AMA Board of Trustees.^{3,4} Yet the publication of an unsolicited, peer-reviewed paper,⁵ tangentially relevant to the Clinton affair, was sufficient cause for the AMA's conservative ideologues to dismiss this accomplished editor. They should be ashamed.

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Reproducibility of results with homeopathic remedies

I have been told by several physicians that the question of whether homeopathy works has now been settled — in favour of homeopathy — by a meta-analysis.¹

I had thought that a major problem