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This article proposes, as steps necessary to reverse present trends towards popular innumeracy, that the adoption of SI metric basic and secondary units of measurement should be everywhere encouraged, being much better suited to popular use than the units traditionally used in the major English-speaking countries, the SI metric scaling system should be replaced by a simple system for representing scaled numbers, and traditional methods of representing numbers are otherwise unsatisfactory and warrant being replaced. (Orig.)

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