

It seems to me that the reviewers' comments are not that far off. I agree with the recommendations of reviewer #1 in making a couple minor changes. I am okay with the title.

1.The authors give an inadequate review of the adverse health effects. They consistently refer to "Phthalates and Endocrine Disruptors";, obviously not understanding that phthalates are one class of EDCs. The authors should decide whether they choose to relate to Public and Regulatory Responses to EDCs (including phthalates) or to phthalates only. Either alternative would be acceptable.

Having the authors choose whether they are referring to Public and Regulator Responses to EDC's or to phthalates only should be a simple fix.

2.The section on "Case Studies on Health Effects" is mis-named since only epidemiological studies are presented. Also in this section, the authors imply that regulation of chemicals can ensure "no risk to users." This should be re-written since risk mitigation policy does not guarantee no risk, but aims to minimize risk ("risk management").

3. A few terms are used incorrectly (or are not clear) and can be easily corrected or defined more clearly, i.e. "proactively" (in first paragraph); "public health conditions" (section on Adverse health effects); "existing reference doses" (in section on Case Studies on Health Effects).

Again, these sections are quite easy fixes and should be addressed for clarity.

So, again acceptance with very minor revisions is warranted.