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Subject: Letter from the Endocrine Society Regarding new EDC Manuscript

Please see below, sent on behalf of the Endocrine Society's EDC Task Force Co-Chairs

Dear Bermig Carsten;

On behalf of the Endocrine Society's EU EDC Task Force, and in view of the forthcoming EC deliberations on the EC Roadmap for Defining criteria for identifying Endocrine Disruptors in the context of the implementation of the Plant Protection Product Regulation and Biocidal Products Regulation, we would like to take this opportunity to call your attention to a new paper that was recently published in the peer-reviewed scientific journal *Environmental Health Perspectives*. The authors of this paper include 7 international experts in the field of Endocrine Disrupting Chemicals who have also been working on global efforts to reduce human health harms due to exposure to EDCs. This team of scientists has been highly engaged in the European Commission's effort to develop science-based criteria for EDCs.

This paper provides further support for our position that the Roadmap Option 3 represents the best option for criteria to identify EDCs based on the widely-accepted WHO/IPCS definition. The paper also shows how little controversy there is around the definition of EDCs, and that the simple logic used for the identification and regulation of carcinogens can be used for EDCs.

We have attached a copy of the manuscript, as well as the press release announcing the publication, to this e-mail. We hope that these documents serve as valuable resources in your work and we look forward to continued engagement on EDCs and other critical public health issues. Please feel free to contact us via the Endocrine Society office [endocrine.org] if you have any questions.

Sincerely,