

Review of: "Expanding Participatory Epidemiology to Explore Community Perceptions of Human and Livestock Diseases among Pastoralists in Turkana County, Kenya"

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This article is focused on One Health at grassroots. This makes it important as it has been difficult to cascade one health to subnational level where the majority of interest groups are located. The authors tried their best to investigate various diseases for humans and animals. It is clear that in pastoral areas farmers put animals first, even ahead of their own health. Again, there is a lot of information derived that could benefit future studies or intervention. It is fairly written/presented.

Comment: I missed getting photos characteristic of PDS work. The paper mentions perceptions of.... instead of perceptions on! This can be put right. Figure 3 has a label on malaria. Could this have been malaria? Much as there was a tendency to be quantitative in presenting results, this somehow deviated from the norms of such work. I didn't see good anecdotal excerpts to reinforce the findings presented. I also know that each FGD findings in one location may not easily be pooled with those of others. Actually, there is multiple heterogeneity across locations. I hope this informed selection of different locations and finally data analysis and conclusion. What was the difference in opinion or relationship between community animal health workers and village health teams? Do they share data on zoonotic diseases. Are their voices heard or captured by state/non-state actors. How did this inform the conception of this study?