

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 is a very valuable contribution. The abstract and introduction are clear and informative.

In the methods, a map of the research locations and specific focus groups on those sites would be valuable. I would like more details on the convenience samples – where were the focus group facilitators, and how were individuals selected/invited to participate? Do you have an IRB-sign-off for this work, (if not why, if so please cite the relevant permissions). It would be good to understand in more depth the participants – ages, livelihood activities etc. Is there any challenge in mixing men and women in the fourth focus group (I would expect so).

The results are interesting and thorough. I raise slight hesitation about the relevance of some of your conclusions, given the small sample size. It would be interesting to read more about the conversation about difference diseases e.g., presumably participants expressed opinions re the relative severity/impact of different diseases, and it would be great to see some direct quotes from the interviews.

The discussion is clear, relevant, and helpful to the reader.