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Dear Editor

Find attached the manuscript titled “Easier said than done: applying the Ecohealth principles to a study of heavy metals exposure among indigenous communities of the Peruvian Amazon”.

This manuscript presents the application of the participatory approach Ecohealth to an epidemiological study of heavy metals exposure among indigenous communities in the Peruvian Amazon, in order to illustrate how knowledge generated from a participatory research process does not necessarily imply solving a public health problem.

We believe that the use of participatory approaches in epidemiological studies is gaining growing interest. Thus, the awareness and understanding of their attributes and challenges is necessary among the scientific community. In order to contribute to this purpose and assist other researchers working in similar contexts, we submit this original article and hope it will be considered for publication in your journal.

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