Reviewer's report

Title: Reporting individual results for biomonitoring and environmental exposures

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1. Major Compulsory Revisions
None.

2. Minor Essential Revisions
Pg. 2, Abstract: spell out first reference to “IRBs” and two lines down abbreviate IRBs
Pg. 5, Ethics: Reference “Belmont Report”
Pg. 8, Paragraph 2: spell out MESH, what does that stand for?
Pg. 8, Paragraph 2: fact sheet is two words
Pg. 10, Paragraph 1: Insert a comma between the words surprised and but.
Pg. 10, Paragraph 1: What were participants often surprised by; by receiving results?
Pg. 10, Paragraph 2: Insert a comma between the words Study and as
Pg. 10, Paragraph 2: Spell out MYGNET, what does that stand for?

Discretionary Revisions
Pg. 5, Ethics: it may be helpful to the reader if the Belmont Report was described or referenced in a phrase or sentence.
Pg. 6, Informed consent: A short description of the history of informed consent may benefit readers. For example, when was it first used and why did it come around to benefit participants?
Pg. 7, Designing report-back: Evaluation techniques; Are there any that apply to report-back methods or is that up to the digression of the researcher?
Pg. 9, Designing report-back: In some cases and in particular communities, media can be used to the advantage of the researcher. Media can be used to announce information about general report-back information and gain (hopefully positive) study promotion.
Pg. 9, Paragraph 2: Participants can also benefit from community meetings addressing report-back result questions and information.
Pg. 9, Paragraph 2: What current online methods is Silent Spring developing; a website, newsletter, or interactive web page?
Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable