Reviewer’s report

**Title:** The negative impact of sugar-sweetened beverages on children's health: An update of the literature

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This is a well written manuscript about an important topic. I have two concerns to be addressed before I believe that this paper is ready for publication. This paper reports on updating the literature on SSB since a last review done in 2007. There is insufficient commentary on how the research findings have evolved since 2007. Are studies more sophisticated? Has the evidence regarding SSB and health been strengthened in the past decade? The second issue is that there is not enough direction given to where the field needs to go. The authors mention a need to understand the mechanisms for how SSB affect health. Do you mean physiologically, behaviorally? What types of studies need to be done to clarify null or mixed results?

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