

## REVIEWER'S REPORT

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**Title: SMOKING TECHNIQUE FOR DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE BEEF BODY AND ITS EFFECTS ON THE HEALTH OF TRADERS IN ADJAME (IVORY COAST)**

### Recommendation:

Accept as it is .....

Accept after minor revision.....

**Accept after major revision** .....

Do not accept (*Reasons below*) .....

Rating	Excel.	Good	Fair	Poor
Originality	X			
Techn. Quality			X	
Clarity			X	
Significance			X	

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## Detailed Reviewer's Report

This study examines the smoking technique of different beef parts in Adjamé (Côte d'Ivoire) and its environmental and health impacts. Based on a survey of 249 workers, it highlights pollutants emitted by butane gas (CO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, CO) and related health issues such as headaches (85%), respiratory problems (41%), and asthma (12%). Although the activity is economically profitable, it exposes workers to direct risks (fire, explosion) and indirect hazards (long-term pollution). Measured gas concentrations exceed recommended thresholds. The findings underline severe pollution and significant health effects, calling for preventive measures and improved awareness among actors.

### Strengths

- 1) Original topic rarely addressed (smoking beef parts instead of fish).
- 2) Detailed quantitative data (249 participants, disease rates, gas concentrations).
- 3) Multidimensional approach (technical, health, environmental).
- 4) High social and economic relevance (public health impact and profitability).

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### Weaknesses

- a) Lack of advanced statistical analysis (correlations, significance tests).
- b) Limited comparison with other African or global studies.
- c) Few technical solutions proposed to reduce pollution.
- d) Writing style sometimes descriptive, lacking critical discussion.

### **Recommendation:** major revisions, mainly:

- 1) Strengthen the discussion by linking to recent research.
- 2) Include practical strategies for risk mitigation.
- 3) Apply more robust statistical analysis.