

## Letters to the Editor

Re: The 6th annual Lead Week of Action is a big success! (Part 1) LANv19n2 (now at the new URL of <a href="http://www.leadsafeworld.com/lanv19n2-the-6th-annual-lead-week-of-action-is-a-big-success/">http://www.leadsafeworld.com/lanv19n2-the-6th-annual-lead-week-of-action-is-a-big-success/</a>)



Grand merci pour cet important rapport international. En effet la publication de ce rapport nous donne plus d'encouragement et plus d'inspirations à nous engager pour les années à venir. Il suscitera à coût sûr plus d'engagements, plus d'efforts et plus d'actions pour des années à venir, surtout pour les objectifs de 2020.

Sincère merci.
Cordialement
Joseph DENOUGBETO
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Big thanks for this important international report. Really, the publication of that report has given us encouragement and more inspirations for commitments in the years to come. That will give rise to more commitments, more efforts and more actions for the next years, notably for the objectives of 2020.

Very truly yours,
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Hi Liz,

Here's a journal article that went online on the last day of the International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week of Action (27<sup>th</sup> October) 2018 for your library:

Dietary zinc, calcium and nickel are associated with lower childhood blood lead levels by Brian Gulson, Karen Mizon, Alan Taylor, Michael Wu, in Environmental Research 168 (2019) 439-444, <a href="https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0013935118305620">https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0013935118305620</a>

As an alternative to the usual negative news stories about lead, the dietary information - as one aspect of our 5 year study on Sydney children (which is one of the most comprehensive undertaken) - indicates that calcium, zinc, nickel and possibly magnesium may assist in reducing blood lead levels. The benefits of calcium have been noted for over 40 years but little is known about zinc, nickel and magnesium and their mechanisms of action.

Kind regards, Brian

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