

ISDI Reactive Statement

Microplastics from feeding bottles during infant formula preparation

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ISDI and the manufacturers of infant formula understand the concerns of parents and caregivers around the potential presence of microplastics in infant formula originating from feeding bottles.

Microplastics are becoming more and more prevalent in our environment. Even though the [World Health Organization](#) suggests that there is only a low risk to human health, more research is needed to ascertain the true impact of microplastics on our environment and health.

As with any scientific research, the methodology and findings of [the study](#) require careful scrutiny, and the results need to be validated. Until any further independent review of the potential risks of microplastics is undertaken, parents should continue to prepare infant formula according to the instructions of use on the label. Exposure to microplastics can be further reduced by using non-plastic utensils for sterilising water and preparing infant formula.

Note to the editors:

ISDI is the leading international expert association on special dietary foods, including foods specifically designed for infants and young children. ISDI members are national and international associations that are active in this sector from more than 20 countries over 6 continents. Our members manufacture and market foods that are formulated, in accordance with applicable Codex Alimentarius standards, to meet the compositional criteria, quality requirement and nutritional needs of infants and young children.

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