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Evaluation Criteria:

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Questions	*Rating Result* [Poor] **1-5** [Excellent]
1. The title is clear and it is adequate to the content of the article.	5
(a brief explanation for 3-less point rating)	
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5. The body of the paper is clear and does not contain errors.	3
(a brief explanation for 3-less point rating) *The manuscript should be restructured by adding a separate Material and Methods section as some data in the Introduction (i.e. numbers and types of reported adverse events) can be moved to this new section. Furthermore, a Discussion section is also missing and should be inserted and separated from the Conclusion section for better clarity.*	
6. The conclusions or summary are accurate and supported by the content.	5
(a brief explanation for 3-less point rating) *A brief mention to the anti-vaccination campaign carried out by media sustained by false data should be inserted.*	
7. The references are comprehensive and appropriate.	4
(a brief explanation for 3-less point rating) *References are sufficient but not exhaustive.*	

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Accepted, no revision needed	
Accepted, minor revisions needed	
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Comments and Suggestions to the Author(s):

The paper is an interesting epidemiological survey of the adverse effects caused by the combined DTP vaccine in Albanian children in the period 2003-2015. Although important for the relevant discussion on adherence to vaccination campaigns by parents warring about their possible side effects on their babies (mainly autism and encephalitis), the text should be better organized. In particular, the "Objectives" and "Methods" should be separated. Objectives are usually inserted at the end of the Introduction section, while Methods are separately described in the Material and Methods section, which is missing. Moreover, the English should be revised by a mother tongue Reviewer since lessical errors are present along the manuscript.

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