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The letter published in 'The Times' reads as below:

Sir,

Today's front page article, *'Everyday plastics plunge men into fertility crisis'*, is not only misleading but potentially dangerous.

I would urge great caution when assessing the results of this study given Professor Jorgensen's own admission that he has 'limited knowledge' about some of the effects he refers to.

The UK plastics industry considers issues of chemical safety to be of paramount importance. European Chemicals Regulation (REACH) ensures rigorous evaluation and testing of chemical substances and their uses. Phthalates are some of the most widely studied chemicals in the world, and rigorous EU risk assessments and studies by other internationally respected scientific bodies have consistently proved their safety for current uses.

Yours faithfully,

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