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#### RESEARCH IN THE SPOTLIGHT: COMPREHENSIVE TECHNICAL REVIEW EVALUATES IMPACT OF SOY ON ENDOCRINE FUNCTION

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An Endocrine Society statement defined endocrine disruptor (ED) as "an exogenous chemical, or mixture of chemicals, that can interfere with

any aspect of hormone action." Research into the effects of EDs is relevant to soyfoods because, in the scientific literature, both soy and the isoflavones in soybeans are routinely referred to as EDs (based on the results of animal studies). However, unlike other chemicals classified as EDs, there is a wealth of human data that can be used to assess whether isoflavones and/or soy warrant this classification.

A team of experts recently completed a technical review of the human data to determine whether soy or isoflavones are EDs. Read more about specific conclusions from the review related to these endpoints:

- Thyroid Function
- <u>Male Fertility and Hormone Levels</u>
- Female Reproductive Hormones and Menstrual Cycle Length
- Breast Cancer
- Endometriosis
- Endometrial Cancer
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# Easy Skillet Tempeh with Caramelized Onions and Grapes

Enjoy this soy recipe submitted by one of our readers, who says:

"Now that summer is unofficially over, we're jumping into fall recipes head first! I love foods of the fall more than any other season and <u>Easy Skillet Tempeh</u> is just the thing to get us started!"

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