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Comments: Why must a Member of the Public tell a High Level USFS Employee important things about their Agency? For nearly 5 Decades the USDA has been in bed with the Corporations that manufacture Chemicals used in Pesticides and Herbicides

Eliminating noxious weeds in the forest is very important. There are safe ways to do this.

Your 6/28/24 Dear Friends and Neighbors of the Siuslaw National Forest letter at page 2 you describes the need to apply a herbicide that contains glyphosate to public land:

"Forest Plan Amendment

A programmatic amendment to the Siuslaw Forest Plan would be necessary to include the use of new chemicals.

Currently Forest Plan management direction on the Siuslaw National Forest reads: "Select from herbicide formulations containing one or more of the following 10 active ingredients: chlorsulfuron, clopyralid, glyphosate, imazapic, imazapyr, metsulfuron methyl, picloram, sethoxydim, sulfometuron methyl, and triclopyr"

Most human beings would not knowingly apply a carcinogen to land used by families for recreation.

When the authorities find out you knowingly plan to spray a carcinogen on vegetation growing on land where families recreate it will be a career-ending event for you Supervisor Brooke.

You will wake up each morning wondering whether a human or wildlife species is dying a slow death because of your ignorance.

The information I present below summarizes the research conclusions of many independent scientists in America. The USFS does not tell its employee about the dangers of glyphosate for obvious reasons.

Monsanto can hire the best attorneys money can buy.
If Monsanto were a reputable, trustworthy corporation why would the judge order Monsanto to pay the plaintiffs over \$12 billion based on 5 jury trials: 1 in 2018, 2 in 2019, 1 in 2020 and 1 in 2021? Another trial is scheduled for April 2022.

Monsanto's Court Loss --- August 2018

"In July 2018, Dewayne Johnson (a former school groundskeeper) was diagnosed with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. He sued Monsanto alleging the chemical glyphosate (an ingredient in Roundup).caused his cancer. Mr. Johnson used Roundup as part of his job. On August 10, 2018 a jury in San Francisco delivered a verdict in Mr. Johnson's favor. The judge ordered Monsanto to pay Mr. Johnson \$289 million in total damages."

Here's a link to the verdict:

<https://www.cbsnews.com/news/dewayne-johnson-monsanto-roundup-weed-killer-jury-award-today-2018-08-10/>

Monsanto's Court Loss --- March 2019

"On March 27, 2019 a San Francisco jury said Monsanto (now owned by BayerAG) was liable for Mr. Edwin Hardeman's non-curable cancer called non-Hodgkin lymphoma. The judge ordered Monsanto to pay Mr. Hardeman \$200 million."

Here's a link to the verdict:

<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2019/mar/05/monsanto-roundup-trial-cancer-weed-killer>

Monsanto's Court Loss --- May 2019

"On May 13, 2019 a jury in Alameda County California ruled that the couple, Alva and Alberta Pilliod of Livermore, Calif., both contracted non-Hodgkin's lymphoma because of their use of a glyphosate-based herbicide. They were each awarded \$1 billion in punitive damages and an additional \$55 million in collective compensatory damages."

Here's a link to the verdict:

<https://www.npr.org/2019/05/13/723056453/california-jury-awards-2-billion-to-couple-in-roundup-weed-killer-cancer-trial>

Monsanto's Court Loss --- June 2020

"On June 24, 2020 BayerAG was ordered to pay more than \$10 billion to end tens of thousands of lawsuits filed over its Roundup weedkiller.

The settlement calls for Bayer to pay from \$8.8 billion to \$9.6 billion to resolve current Roundup lawsuits. The company will also set aside \$1.25 billion to fund payouts for potential claims in the future."

Here's a link to the verdict:

<https://www.npr.org/2020/06/24/882949098/bayer-to-pay-more-than-10-billion-to-resolve-roundup-cancer-lawsuits>

Monsanto Agrees to Plead Guilty --- December 2021

"Monsanto admitted in a plea agreement filed today that it committed 30 misdemeanor crimes related to the use of a glufosinate ammonium-based product sold under the brand name Forfeit 280. After using the product in 2020 on corn fields on Oahu, Monsanto allowed workers to enter the fields during a six-day "restricted-entry interval" (REI) after the product was applied.

The plea agreement calls for Monsanto to serve three years of probation, pay a total of \$12 million and continue for another three years a comprehensive environmental compliance program that includes third-party auditor."

Here's a link to the plea agreement:

<http://www.hawaiifreepress.com/Articles-Main/ID/29742/Monsanto-Agrees-to-Plead-Guilty-to-Illegally-Using-Pesticide-at-Corn-Growing-Fields-in-Hawaii>

Court Orders Health Canada To Reassess Safety of Roundup ---- February 11, 2022

"Canadian regulators must conduct a new review of the safety of Roundup weed killer products, following a court's decision that they did not follow their own rules in granting the glyphosate-based herbicide approval."

"In response to the growing concerns over the safety of Roundup, new restrictions and bans have been imposed in many countries, and a number of regulators are reassessing the popular weed killer. It has also led to activists pushing for agencies to take a much harder look at the underlying data about the potential side effects of exposure to glyphosate, the active ingredient."

Here's a link to the information:

<https://www.aboutlawsuits.com/roundup-safety-review-canada/>

Monsanto seeks "emergency" delay for St. Louis trial, March 24, 2022

"Monsanto on Thursday asked a St. Louis judge to delay the start of a trial over claims brought by three men alleging exposure to Monsanto's glyphosate-based herbicides, such as the popular Roundup brand, caused them to develop non-Hodgkin lymphoma."

Here's a link to the information:

<https://careygillam.substack.com/p/monsanto-cites-emergency-in-seeking>

Court rejects Trump-era EPA finding that weed killer is safe, June 17, 2022

"A federal appeals court has rejected a Trump administration finding that the active ingredient in the weed killer Roundup does not pose a serious health risk and is "not likely" to cause cancer in humans."

"The California-based 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ordered the Environmental Protection Agency to reexamine its 2020 finding that glyphosate did not pose a risk for people exposed to it by any means - on farms, yards or roadsides or as residue left on food crops."

Here's a link to the information:

<https://abcnews.go.com/Business/wireStory/court-rejects-trump-era-epa-finding-weed-killer-85474509>

U.S. Supreme Court rejects Bayer bid to nix Roundup weedkiller suits, June 21, 2022

"WASHINGTON, June 21 (Reuters) - The U.S. Supreme Court on Tuesday rejected Bayer AG's bid to dismiss legal claims by customers who contend its Roundup weedkiller causes cancer as the German company seeks to avoid potentially billions of dollars in damages."

The justices turned away a Bayer appeal and left in place a lower court decision that upheld \$25 million in damages awarded to California resident Edwin Hardeman, a Roundup user who blamed his cancer on the pharmaceutical and chemical giant's glyphosate-based weedkillers."

Here's a link to the information:

<https://www.reuters.com/legal/government/us-supreme-court-rejects-bayer-bid-nix-roundup-weedkiller-suits-2022-06-21/>

Expert US Groups Launch Legal Action in Attempt to Ban Glyphosate Herbicides, December 18, 2023

"A groundbreaking legal action launched Wednesday calls on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to immediately suspend and cancel the dangerous herbicide glyphosate, the main ingredient in Monsanto's Roundup."

Here's a link to the information:

https://sustainablepulse.com/2023/12/18/expert-groups-launch-legal-action-to-force-epa-to-ban-glyphosate-herbicides/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=glyphosate_gmos_and_pesticides_weekly_global_news_bulletin&utm_term=2024-02-13

Bayer faces billions in Roundup claims as legal strategy falls short, January 31, 2024

Bayer AG faces mounting pressure to come up with a new plan for handling its Roundup weedkiller litigation after getting hammered by U.S. jury verdicts totaling almost \$4 billion over the last three months.

"The German conglomerate's latest courtroom loss was its biggest since Roundup cases started going to trial five and a half years ago, with a Pennsylvania jury awarding \$2.25 billion to a former Roundup user who blamed his cancer diagnosis on long-term exposure to the herbicide.

That prompted a fresh slump in Bayer's shares, as investors worried about the more than 50,000 Roundup claims outstanding in the U.S. that accuse the company's Monsanto unit of hiding the product's cancer risks. After last week's award, they're beginning to worry about whether the company has the financial resources to keep fighting these cases for years to come."

My Daughter's Family does not Appreciate
your Unprofessional Behavior

You are probably wondering why a person from Idaho is commenting on a project located in Oregon. You see my daughter and her family live in Portland. They enjoy the Siuslaw National Forest very much.

They feel that developing this area will ruin their fishing, wildlife viewing, camping and hiking opportunities. They own the Siuslaw National Forest. Since I am retired from the USFS my daughter called me and asked if there was anything she could do to convince you to leave the proposed timber sale area undeveloped. She wanted to know what she must do to gain standing to take court action. I told her she needs to comment on the draft NEPA document for this project to gain standing to submit an objection and that when the Objection Deciding Officer's response to her objection is unacceptable she would have standing to take court action. I told her she must show the court she will be harmed by the decision. Supervisor Brooke people like you must be held accountable. Clearly you are serving your corporate masters and backhanding the public.

Each IDT member will react to my comments differently. Some of them will be angry and in denial and wonder "who is this guy." Most of them will ignore my comments and say to yourself "Oh well, NEPA gives them the right to comment. He's obviously a rabid enviro who should be ignored because he wants to stop all national forest logging." A few of them will agree with what I have to say but will keep it to themselves because they are frightened to think their peers will think you are not a "team player." I'm sorry for you all. After you retire your guilt will be overwhelming.

This just in

Important text is highlighted in red.

Bayer's Monsanto Withdraws Legal Challenge to Mexico's Ban on Glyphosate and GMOs

Published by Sustainable Pulse, July 15, 2024

Link:

https://sustainablepulse.com/2024/07/15/bayers-monsanto-withdraws-legal-challenge-to-mexicos-ban-on-glyphosate-and-gmos/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=glyphosate_gmos_and_pesticides_weekly_global_news_bulletin&utm_term=2024-08-06

Excerpt:

"In what is being called a significant victory for Mexico, Monsanto has withdrawn its legal challenge against the 2020 presidential decree aimed at banning glyphosate and genetically modified (GM) corn for human consumption, Mexico News Daily reported. The Mexican government's National Council of Humanities, Sciences and Technologies (Conahcyt) heralded the decision as a national "triumph for life, death and food sovereignty." "

"The battle included over 30 amparo (judicial protective order) suits aiming to declare the decree unconstitutional. In July 2022, for example, Bayer, which acquired Monsanto six years ago, obtained a court order against the application of the decree.

However, the majority of the cases concluded with rulings unfavorable to the corporations involved. Conahcyt provided scientific and legal defenses, presenting more than 250 pieces of evidence to support the decree."

Bulgaria Bans Glyphosate for Multiple Uses after Successful Agrolink Campaign

Published by Sustainable Pulse, July 15, 2024

Link:

https://sustainablepulse.com/2024/07/15/bulgaria-bans-glyphosate-for-multiple-uses-after-successful-agrolink-campaign/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=glyphosate_gmos_and_pesticides_weekly_global_news_bulletin&utm_term=2024-07-18

Excerpt:

"The campaign of the AGROLINK Association to ban glyphosate-based herbicides in Bulgaria, started 7 years ago, has ended successfully. The use of glyphosate is now banned in areas used by the general public or by vulnerable groups: public parks and gardens, sports and recreation grounds, school and children's playgrounds, as well as near health and educational facilities."

Presence of Weed Killer Glyphosate in Human Sperm Elevates Debate on Pesticide Threats to Human Survival

Published by Beyond Pesticides, June 4, 2024

Link:

<https://beyondpesticides.org/dailynewsblog/2024/06/presence-of-weed-killer-glyphosate-in-human-sperm-elevates-debate-on-pesticide-threats-to-human-survival/>

Excerpt:

"Glyphosate (GLY) was detected in the seminal plasma of the participants, with concentrations that were four times higher than those observed in blood plasma. In contrast, its main metabolite, amino-methyl-phosphonic acid (AMPA), was not detectable. There was a strong positive correlation between the concentrations of glyphosate in blood plasma and seminal plasma and the levels of 8-hydroxy-2'-deoxyguanosine (8-OHdG), a marker of DNA damage due to oxidative stress. The study observed higher concentrations of Total Oxidant Status (TOS), Oxidative Stress Index (OSI) (which is the ratio of TOS to Total Antioxidant Status (TAS)), and malondialdehyde (MDA) in both blood and seminal plasma of men with detectable levels of glyphosate. The Total Antioxidant Status (TAS) in both blood and seminal plasma was similar in men with or without detectable levels of glyphosate, suggesting that the antioxidant capacity remained constant regardless of glyphosate exposure."

High Levels of Weedkiller Found in More than Half of Sperm Samples, Study Finds

Published by Sustainable Pulse, May 23, 2024

Link:

https://sustainablepulse.com/2024/05/23/high-levels-of-weedkiller-found-in-more-than-half-of-sperm-samples-study-finds/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=glyphosate_gmos_and_pesticides_weekly_global_news_bulletin&utm_term=2024-05-28

Excerpt:

"More than 55% of sperm samples from a French infertility clinic contained high levels of glyphosate, the world's most common weedkiller, raising further questions about the chemical's impact on reproductive health and overall safety, a new study found."

"The paper comes as researchers look for answers to why global fertility rates, and many suspect exposure to toxic chemicals like glyphosate is a significant driver of the decline."

"The study's authors wrote it "would be wise for regulators to apply a precautionary principle" in regulation, which means erring on the side of caution to protect human health until further research can be done to confirm the problems identified in the study."

Beating Back the Toxic Onslaught

Published by Organic Consumers Assn., May 19, 2024

Link:

<https://organicconsumers.org/together-we-are-making-waves/>

Excerpt:

"Since we launched Millions Against Monsanto in the late 1990s, the Organic Consumers Association has been on the forefront of the international movement to ban the world's worst toxins, starting with Monsanto's carcinogenic glyphosate-based Roundup herbicide and Bayer's bee-killing neonicotinoid insecticides. Bayer-Monsanto is resorting to dirty tricks, trying to pass laws to keep pesticide-exposed cancer victims from suing and stop states from banning their toxins, because they know, if democracy prevails, they'll lose!"

Sick Because of Roundup? These Bills Could Make Suing Impossible.

By Nick Tabor

Published by The New Republic, March 12, 2024

Link:

<https://newrepublic.com/article/179653/roundup-cancer-monsanto-pesticides>

Excerpt:

"Six years ago, the multinational corporation Bayer made one of the worst purchases in American business history: It bought Monsanto, the maker of Roundup, for \$63 billion. Monsanto was already by a school groundskeeper in the Bay Area who said his exposure to the weedkiller had given him non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. Two months after the merger, a jury awarded the groundskeeper \$289 million. Since then, Bayer has been pummeled with lawsuits, and between, it has been required to pay out more than \$14 billion to plaintiffs. Its stock has 70 percent of its value.

"Since January, bills to shield pesticide manufacturers from lawsuits have been filed in three states where Bayer has a major corporate presence: Missouri (where Monsanto is headquartered), Idaho (where it has a phosphate mine), and Iowa (where it has a manufacturing plant). Daniel Hinkle, an attorney with the American Association

for Justice, who works with trial lawyer associations throughout the country, predicted that if these bills succeed, Bayer will push similar legislation in a number of other states next year."

SIGN NOW: Tell Bayer-Monsanto to STOP selling toxic Roundup immediately!

Published by Friends of the Earth, March 2024

Link:

<https://action.foe.org/page/65548/action/1?ea.tracking.id=Email&ea.url.id=2426815>

Excerpt:

"Milkweed is disappearing - and monarch butterflies along with it.

Toxic pesticides are wiping out baby monarchs' only food source. We can't let these precious pollinators disappear.

Bayer-Monsanto has spent years?lying, denying, and distracting?from the fact that its products are contributing to the pollinator crisis and harming people. It has manipulated science and invested in disinformation campaigns to trick the public into thinking products like Roundup are safe.?But Bayer-Monsanto's pesticide products are NOT SAFE.

It's past time Bayer-Monsanto stops lying and stops selling pollinator-toxic pesticides."

EPA Taking Public Comment on Scientific Integrity Amid Criticism by Inspector General and Whistleblowers

Published by Beyond Pesticides, February 10, 2024

Link:

<https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/#inbox/FMfcgzGxRfBSjPVdFjGFlxhXWtGCglSD>

Excerpt:

"As a result of . . . litigation [associated with health effects of glyphosate/Roundup], Monsanto is forced to turn over millions of pages of internal reports, documents, emails, memos, and different studies. When you look at those along with documents that I and my colleagues at U.S. Right to Know have obtained through the Freedom of Information Act from EPA, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and various state universities, it's a pretty incredible picture of collusion, deception, and deceit.

The documents show all of these different things: ghost-written research papers that assert glyphosate's safety for publication and regulatory review; alternative assessments provided for studies that indicate harm. So if a regulator is looking at a study and says, "Gosh, this looks like it causes cancer," Monsanto will then give them the rationale for how to interpret the data in a different way. They have networks of European and U.S. scientists that push the safety message to lawmakers and regulators. They appear to be independent, so they appear to be more authoritative and authentic. But behind the scenes we see documents that show that Monsanto is helping them or telling them what to say, or assigning them a task.

New York OAG Forces Bayer and Monsanto to Pay \$6.9 M over False Claims on Roundup Safety

Published by Sustainable Pulse, Jun 23 2023

Link:

<https://sustainablepulse.com/2023/06/23/new-york-oag-forces-bayer-and-monsanto-to-pay-6-9-m-over-false-claims-on-roundup->

safety/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=glyphosate_gmos_and_pesticides_weekly_global_news_bulletin&utm_term=2023-07-14

Excerpt:

"Bayer and Monsanto repeatedly claimed in advertising that Roundup® consumer products containing the active ingredient glyphosate were safe and non-toxic without adequate substantiation. These claims violated state laws against false and misleading advertising, and also breached a previous settlement the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) reached with Monsanto in 1996, in which Monsanto committed to stop making unsubstantiated claims regarding the safety of Roundup® products that contained glyphosate."

'Outrageous': Research Shows Pesticide Giants Withheld Brain Toxicity Studies From EU

By Jake Johnson

Published by Common Dreams, June 1, 2023

Link:

<https://www.commondreams.org/news/research-pesticides-eu>

Excerpt:

"The journal Environmental Health found that pesticide companies did not disclose to European Union regulators at least nine studies examining the brain toxicity of their chemical products-a finding that experts said is a scandal that must spur reforms.

"The researchers said their findings demonstrate that "non-disclosure of DNT studies to E.U. authorities, in spite of clear legal requirements, seems to be a recurring phenomenon." Last year, the same researchers found that an industry-sponsored DNT study on glyphosate found impacts on "neurobehavioural function, motor activity, in rat offspring"-findings that were not shared with E.U. officials.

Check Your Wine - These 30 Brands Have High Levels of Cancer-Causing Arsenic & Glyphosate

Published by Organic Consumers Assn., June 2023

Link:

https://organicconsumers.org/check-your-wine-these-30-brands-have-high-levels-of-cancer-causing-arsenic-glyphosate/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=engagingnetworks&utm_campaign=OB+805&utm_content=OB+805

Excerpt:

"Were you aware that in 2013, out of the 57,000 pounds of glyphosate/Roundup used in Napa County, a staggering 50,000 pounds were utilized in vineyards? Curiously, Napa, Sonoma, and Mendocino counties exhibit higher breast cancer rates than the national average. Research conducted in Germany indicates that even .1 ppb of glyphosate has the potential to eradicate beneficial gut bacteria, and as little as .1 part per trillion of glyphosate can spur the growth of breast cancer cells."

New Study Shows Dangers of Childhood Exposure to Weed Killer

Published by The Legal Examiner, May, 2023

Link:

<https://www.legalexaminer.com/environment/roundup-lawsuits/new-study-shows-dangers-of-childhood-exposure-to-weed-killer/>

Excerpt:

"The research focused on the use of glyphosate near the duo's homes while the mother was pregnant and, in the children, up to the age of 5 years. Researchers also measured the levels of glyphosate and AMPA in urine. Urine was collected from mothers during pregnancy and children at the ages of 5, 14, and 18. The researchers then followed up with liver and metabolic health in those children when they reached 18 years old.

Findings from the study identified that higher levels of glyphosate residue and AMPA were associated with a higher risk of liver inflammation and metabolic disorders in young adulthood. The study also reported that diet was a source of exposure. Children who ate more cereal, fruits, vegetables, and bread had high levels of glyphosate residue. This is the first time researchers have examined the potential connection between early life exposure to glyphosate and metabolic and liver disease.

Glyphosate is an herbicide used to control weeds and grasses and is an active ingredient in products like Roundup. Commonly used in agriculture, glyphosate is also utilized in public spaces like parks, playgrounds, and golf courses to prevent the growth of weeds and unwanted plants. The potential impact of glyphosate on human health is controversial and continues to be widely debated."

The Science-based Evidence to Ban Glyphosate and GMOs

By Andre Leu

Published by Regeneration International, February 19 2023

Link:

https://regenerationinternational.org/2023/02/19/the-science-based-evidence-to-ban-glyphosate-and-gmos/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=engagingnetworks&utm_campaign=OB+794&utm_content=OB+794

Excerpts:

"Mexico announced that it was phasing out the use of glyphosate herbicides, the cultivation of GMO corn, and the import of GMO corn for human consumption and livestock feed by the end of 2024. The reasons for the decree given by Mexican president Andrés Manuel López Obrador are to protect the health of Mexico's consumers and small-scale farmers, the environment, and the purity of Mexico's native corn varieties.

The GMO/pesticide cartels fearing that Mexico will set a precedent for other countries to enact similar restrictions, are puppeteering agencies and officials within the U.S. government to pressure Mexico to abandon its plans. This is not the first time the German-based Bayer-Monsanto has used its captured U.S. government officials and agencies to act on its behalf. In 2019, the corporation succeeded in using U.S. officials to pressure Thailand into reversing its ban on glyphosate."

"A study conducted by Flower et al. examined the levels of cancer in the children of people who sprayed glyphosate for weed control. They found that their children had increased levels of all childhood cancers, including all lymphomas such as non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.

A case-controlled study by Swedish scientists Lennart Hardell and Mikael Eriksson also linked non-Hodgkin's lymphoma to exposure to various pesticides and herbicides, including glyphosate. The link between glyphosate and non-Hodgkin lymphoma has resulted in major court cases, most of which Bayer-Monsanto has lost. Millions of dollars were awarded to the victims."

New US Research Finds "Worrying" Evidence Linking Monsanto Weedkiller to Cancer

Published by Sustainable Pulse, Jan 24, 2023

Link:

https://sustainablepulse.com/2023/01/24/new-us-research-finds-worrying-evidence-linking-monsanto-weedkiller-to-cancer/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=glyphosate_gmos_and_pesticides_weekly_global_news_bulletin&utm_term=2023-02-24#.Y_kEmK_MK1s

Excerpts:

"New research by top US government scientists has found that people exposed to the widely used weed killing chemical glyphosate have biomarkers in their urine linked to the development of cancer and other diseases.

"Notably, in the new paper, the NIH and CDC scientists said that while their study focused on farmers who were exposed to glyphosate when they sprayed it on fields, they saw similar results in "non-farmers." "

"The NIH study is the "largest investigation to date of the relationship between glyphosate exposure and oxidative stress markers," said Jonathan Hofmann, an author of the study from the NIH's National Cancer Institute.

Contaminated Wildflower Nectar and Pollen Puts Bees and Humans at Risk - New Irish Study Slams Pre-Harvest Glyphosate Use

Published by Sustainable Pulse, Jan 19, 2023

Link:

<https://sustainablepulse.com/author/henry/>

Excerpts:

"This is the first time glyphosate has been reported in unsprayed wildflowers under conventional farming conditions and while more research is needed to find how much higher glyphosate concentrations would be in directly sprayed plants, the researchers stated that wild bees and honeybees will visit the contaminated wildflowers to collect pollen and nectar. They will thus be exposed to glyphosate and that could impact their health and the critical pollination service they provide."

MERCHANTS OF POISON How Monsanto Sold the World on a Toxic Pesticide

by Stacy Malkan with Kendra Klein, PhD and Anna Lappé

Published by US Right to Know, October 2022

Link:

https://usrtk.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/Merchants_of_Poison_Report_final_120522.pdf

Excerpt:

"Pulling from these documents - as well as investigative journalism that has exposed elements of this subterfuge - this report showcases the breadth of Monsanto's deception on glyphosate and adds to the growing literature about how corporations deny science and manufacture doubt about the harm of their products. This report reveals key tactics in the pesticide industry's disinformation playbook, showing how, like Big Oil and Big Tobacco, they rely on deceptive PR strategies to maintain their "freedom to operate" without meaningful limits - with dangerous consequences for public health and the environment.

The PR effort has been so forceful - especially Monsanto's efforts to discredit the WHO's researchers - that some observers have described it as a particularly harsh and aggressive effort to undermine cancer research and prevention.

This report builds on previous reporting I and my colleagues have done on pesticide industry disinformation. This includes a 2015 report, *Spinning Food*, that documents how food and pesticide industry front groups use covert communication tactics to shape the narrative about industrial agriculture and organic and sustainable food production.

Thanks to a long history of writing and research, from Rachel Carson's *Silent Spring* (1962) to Robert van den Bosch's *Pesticide Conspiracy* (1989) to David Michael's *The Triumph of Doubt* (2020); Carey Gillam's reporting on Monsanto's herbicide business and the Roundup cancer trials and her two books, *Whitewash* (2017) and *The Monsanto Papers* (2021); the seminal research by Naomi Oreskes and Erik Conway in their book *Merchants of Doubt* (2010), and other investigative journalists and nonprofits working for transparency, there is growing awareness about industry spin and its harms to people and planet. We hope this report - by taking a deep dive into one company's decades-long disinformation campaign to protect its herbicide, and the sector in general, from regulation - can add to this awareness of industry tactics and convey the urgency of action to address it." (pg 7)

The link below has many glyphosate articles describing risks to health.
<https://www.beyondpesticides.org/resources/pesticide-gateway?pesticideid=37>

The Tragic Results of Casual Exposure to Glyphosate

Birth Defects, Miscarriages, Cancer, DNA Damage, Cell Death, Autism, Neurotoxic Mental Disorders, and Irreparable kidney/liver damage

I suggest you search the internet to discover the link between glyphosate exposure and the information above.

After Reading the Information in the next 50 pages any
Caring Human Being would use the Methods you say
are already in use on your forest you disclose below
in your Proposed Action Treatment
Descriptions Document

Hand pulling, pulling using tools, clipping, cutting, mulching, insect and livestock biocontrol, soil solarization and shading, native plant material planting and seeding, mowing or cutting with a hand-held string or blade trimmer, propane torch, Rx burn, scraping, power raking and steaming.

Research Reveals Roundup Weed Killing Formulations are More Toxic than Glyphosate Alone
<https://naturalsociety.com/monsantos-roundup-poison-125-times-dangerous-regulators-admit/>

The USFS Regional Invasive plant coordinator for R-6 is either not aware of ... or rejects best science conclusions not generated by USDA-approved scientists. They know the USDA has been sleeping with the pesticide/herbicide manufacturers (including Monsanto) for decades. Thus, in order to not jeopardize their jobs they obediently feed forest employees, untrue, fabricated, cooked up information showing glyphosate exposure is nothing to be concerned about.

Comment: Supervisor Brooke, you propose to take action that ignores the research of hundreds of independent scientists not affiliated with the USDA that clearly indicates exposure to glyphosate causes kidney and liver damage. A few examples of the available independent science are shown below:

From Sustainable Pulse, Aug 26, 2015 at:

http://sustainablepulse.com/2015/08/26/unique-roundup-study-shows-massive-kidney-and-liver-gene-function-alterations/#.Vd8p0Zbn_IX

From Environmental Health News, September 1, 2015

<http://www.environmentalhealthnews.org/ehs/news/2015/aug/monsanto-roundup-glyphosate-pesticide-kidney-liver-toxic-gmo>

from Truthout, July 10, 2014

<http://www.truth-out.org/news/item/24876-monsantos-herbicide-linked-to-fatal-kidney-disease-epidemic-will-ckdu-topple-monsanto>

Other sites also discuss glyphosate and kidney failures:

<http://www.truth-out.org/news/item/32585-more-evidence-of-roundup-s-link-to-kidney-liver-damage>

<http://www.democraticunderground.com/10027132287>

<http://www.chemwatch.net/185836/more-evidence-of-roundups-link-to-kidney-liver-damage>

<http://gmwatch.org/news/latest-news/16377-more-evidence-of-roundup-s-link-to-kidney-liver-damage>

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Comment: Glyphosate is banned for use throughout the world.

If glyphosate is safe why would herbicides that contain this chemical be banned Denmark, England, Italy, El Salvador, Sri Lanka, France, Holland, Austria, Bulgaria, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Japan, Chile, South Africa, Luxembourg, Madeira, Cameroon, New Zealand, Peru, South Australia, Russia, France, Switzerland, Columbia, and Costa Rica?

<https://biidx.co/28-countries-ban-the-use-of-glyphosate-key-ingredient-in-roundup/>

Comment: Supervisor Brooke, I have submitted comments by hundreds of independent Ph.D. scientists (many chemists and medical doctors). Without exception they present evidence that even casual exposure to herbicides that contain the chemical glyphosate causes cancer. I ask you to use an alternative to Roundup. There are many that will satisfy your goals.

Please open Opposing Views Attachment #9. You will find 91 quotes authored and/or cosigned by well respected scientists (43 with Ph.D.s). Their quotes were released in the following publications:

Why would legal firms spend the money to buy
ads on radio and TV offering to represent people
who had been diagnosed with cancer after
using Roundup?

Please have the courage to read them all.

Tosi Law

Link:

https://roundup.tosifirm.com/roundup-lawsuit?utm_source=za%2Einvesting%2Ecom+-+b1_triplelift+-+520232&utm_medium=native&utm_campaign=roundup+-+38586683&utm_content=54217225+-+149284109&utm_term=z1149284109b1_triplelift__za%2Einvesting%2Ecom1z&postbackid=63815_726e91b7-dfdd-11ee-953c-08e6e3c91a3c&_z1_adgid=54217225&_z1_caid=149284109&_z1_msid=b1_triplelift&_z1_pub=za%2Einvesting%2Ecom&zpbid=63815_726e91b7-dfdd-11ee-953c-08e6e3c91a3c

James Harris Law

Link:

https://www.recallsuit.com/roundup-lawsuit-b/?msclkid=5be7029551971de0ec305fab2abdbbd2&utm_source=bing&utm_medium=cpc&utm_campaign=Roundup&utm_term=lymphoma%20lawsuits&utm_content=Lymphoma%20Lawsuit

Sokolove Law

Link:

https://roundup.sokolovelaw.com/?src=bing_webppc_328577675_%2Bmonsanto%20%2Blawsuit_%7Bcontent%7D_b_o_lymphoma%20lawsuits%20against%20monsanto&numberToReplace&campaignId&ringPoolId&jpow=aa_328577675_bb_1233652168336312_cc_%2Bmonsanto%20%2Blawsuit_dd_b_ee_o_ff_%7Bbadposition%7D_gg_c_hh_%7Bdevicemodel%7D_ii_jj_110194_kk_ll_%7Bplacement%7D_mm_%7Btarget%7D_nn_kwd-77103363003058%3Aloc-190_oo_%7Bcreative%7D_pp_%7Bbrand%7D_qq_%7Bacid%7D_rr_77103314975124_ss_77103363003058

Class Claims LLC

Link:

<https://www.class.claims/round-up-lawsuit>

Trustwell Law Group

Link:

https://www.trustwelllaw.com/environmental/roundup/lawsuit?utm_source=bing-ads&utm_medium=paid-search&utm_campaign=roundup&msclkid=7aa5b3c82ae01c32cf94eef65692be31&utm_term=monsanto%20lymphoma%20lawsuit&utm_content=Monsanto%20Lymphoma%20Lawsuit%20%7C%20Exact

ROUNDUPCANCER ATTORNEYS.COM

Link:

https://roundupcancerattorneys.com/roundup-lawsuit?msclkid=b0a975edf092161d3c4628d372a24497&utm_source=bing&utm_medium=cpc&utm_campaign=RoundUp%20Cancer&utm_term=roundup%20lawsuit&utm_content=Lawsuit%20roundup

Carlson Law Firm

Link:

<https://www.carlsonattorneys.com/news-and-update/roundup-2019/>

A Case for Women

Link:

https://www.acaseforwomen.com/adv/roundup-lawsuit/?utm_campaign=369081443&utm_source=bing&utm_medium=cpc&utm_content=79439809871843&utm_term=roundup%20lawsuit&adgroupid=1271035841951610&msclkid=f2058d93dd24196d73b4d0ad5f144d1c

Saiontz & Kirk

Link:

<https://www.youhavealawyer.com/roundup/cancer-settlements-faq/>

Greenberg & Bederman, LLC

Link:

<https://www.gblawyers.com/roundup-lawsuits/>

Rosen Injury Lawyers

Link:

<https://roseninjurylawyers.com/roundup-lawsuits/>

Garber Law Offices

Link:

<https://www.garber.law/glyphosate-roundup/>

Please tell the public you will continue to eliminate invasive plant species and create suitable conditions for the establishment of desired tree seedlings using manual and mechanical treatment and assure the DEIS or pre-decisional EA tells the public "herbicides that contain glyphosate will not be used anywhere for any reason on the Siuslaw National Forest in the future."

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- *Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry
- *Environmental Health News
- *University of Washington News
- *The Guardian
- *Journal of Toxicology
- *University of Pittsburgh News
- *Pesticide Action Network North America
- *
- *British Columbia Ministry of Environment, Wildlife Report No. R-28
- *Science in Society
- *International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics
- *Colin Campbell Center for Nutrition Studies
- *The Defender - Children's Health Defense®
- *The Financial Times, UK
- *Institute for Responsible Technology
- *Common Dreams
- *Pesticide Action Network Asia and the Pacific

- *Permaculture Research Institute
- *Science in Society
- *chemicalWATCH Factsheet
- *Reuters
- *The Organic and Non-GMO Report
- *Beyond Pesticides
- *Institute of Science in Society
- *Ecological Applications
- *Organic Gardening
- *Chemical. Research in Toxicology
- *Toxicology
- *Weston A. Price Foundation
- *National Library of Medicine
- *Organic Producers Association of Queensland
- *Truthout
- *Foodconsumer
- *The Progressive
- *Project Censored
- *Grist
- *Rachel's Environment and Health News
- *EPA-738-F-93-011
- *Journal of Pesticide Reform
- *The Sun (Malaysia)
- *Wild Ones Journal
- *Genetic Concern
- *Journal of Pesticide Reform
- *RACHEL'S HAZARDOUS WASTE NEWS
- *HEALTH-ARGENTINA
- *Portland independent media center,
- *GroundTruth
- *Natural Society
- *US Right to Know

Please assure your draft NEPA document says: "no herbicides will be applied anywhere at anytime as part of this project that contain the chemical glyphosate."

If this is not done, the following laws have been violated

40 CFR 1500.2(e) because the Proposed Action did not "avoid or minimize adverse effects of these actions upon the quality of the human environment."

40 CFR 1500.2(f) because the Proposed Action did not "use all practicable means, consistent with the requirements of the Act and other essential considerations of national policy, to restore and enhance the quality of the human environment and avoid or minimize any possible adverse effects of their actions upon the quality of the human environment"

NEPA Sec. 101(b)(2) because the Proposed Action did not "assure for all Americans safe, healthful, productive and esthetically and culturally pleasing. surroundings;"

NEPA Sec. 101(c) because the Proposed Action did not assure that "each person should enjoy a healthful environment."

Willful Reckless Endangerment.

"Reckless endangerment is a crime consisting of acts that create a substantial risk of serious physical injury to another person. The accused person isn't required to intend the resulting or potential harm, but must have acted in a way that showed a disregard for the foreseeable consequences of the actions. The charge may occur in various contexts, such as, among others, domestic cases, car accidents, construction site accidents, testing sites, domestic/child abuse situations, and hospital abuse."

Ex. Ord. No. 13045, Apr. 23, 1997 because the Proposed Action did not assure the "Protection of Children from Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks."

Intelligent (emphasis added), Caring People are
Guided by the Precautionary Principle to Avoid
taking Actions that Might Adversely Affect
Human Health or Harm the Environment.
Obviously, you don't Care.

People with the authority and responsibility to take action that science shows is likely to harm human health and/or wildlife who ignore the Precautionary Principle because they already know where it will lead them must never entertain the notion that they are professionals.

A few USFS line-officers have the foresight and courage to apply the Precautionary Principle to their timber sales and risk not accumulating as much volume.

Here is the essence of the Precautionary Principle

"When an activity raises threats of harm to human health or the environment, precautionary measures should be taken even if some cause and effect relationships are not fully established scientifically. In this context the proponent of an activity, rather than the public, should bear the burden of proof. The process of applying the precautionary principle must be open, informed and democratic and must include potentially affected parties. It must also involve an examination of the full range of alternatives, including no action."

Link:
<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/15968832/>

3 Of course when you go to Court for not Warning the
Public that Exposure to Herbicides that contain the
Chemical Glyphosate causes Cancer, the Trial will be
Covered by the AP and you won't know where you will
Find the Money to pay your Fine that will easily
Exceed \$100 million if someone Exposed
to the Chemical dies.

Your DEIS pre-decisional EA at page 7 you describes the need to apply a herbicide that contains glyphosate to public land:

"There are known populations of exotic and invasive plant species throughout the project area."

When the authorities find out you are trying to justify spraying a carcinogen on vegetation growing on land where families recreate it will be a career-ending event for you Supervisor Brooke.

You will wake up each morning wondering whether a human or wildlife species is dying a slow death because of your ignorance.

Monsanto can hire the best attorneys money can buy.
If Monsanto is a reputable, trustworthy corporation
why would the judge order Monsanto to pay the
plaintiffs over \$12 billion based on 5 jury trials: 1 in
2018, 2 in 2019, 1 in 2020 and 1 in 2021? Another trial
is scheduled for April 2022.

Monsanto's Court Loss --- August 2018

"In July 2018, Dewayne Johnson (a former school groundskeeper) was diagnosed with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. He sued Monsanto alleging the chemical glyphosate (an ingredient in Roundup).caused his cancer. Mr. Johnson used Roundup as part of his job. On August 10, 2018 a jury in San Francisco delivered a verdict in Mr. Johnson's favor. The judge ordered Monsanto to pay Mr. Johnson \$289 million in total damages."

Here's a link to the verdict:

<https://www.cbsnews.com/news/dewayne-johnson-monsanto-roundup-weed-killer-jury-award-today-2018-08-10/>

Monsanto's Court Loss --- March 2019

"On March 27, 2019 a San Francisco jury said Monsanto (now owned by BayerAG) was liable for Mr. Edwin Hardeman's non-curable cancer called non-Hodgkin lymphoma. The judge ordered Monsanto to pay Mr. Hardeman \$200 million."

Here's a link to the verdict:

<https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2019/mar/05/monsanto-roundup-trial-cancer-weed-killer>

Monsanto's Court Loss --- May 2019

"On May 13, 2019 a jury in Alameda County California ruled that the couple, Alva and Alberta Pilliod of Livermore, Calif., both contracted non-Hodgkin's lymphoma because of their use of a glyphosate-based herbicide. They were each awarded \$1 billion in punitive damages and an additional \$55 million in collective compensatory damages."

Here's a link to the verdict:

<https://www.npr.org/2019/05/13/723056453/california-jury-awards-2-billion-to-couple-in-roundup-weed-killer-cancer-trial>

Monsanto's Court Loss --- June 2020

"On June 24, 2020 BayerAG was ordered to pay more than \$10 billion to end tens of thousands of lawsuits filed

over its Roundup weedkiller.

The settlement calls for Bayer to pay from \$8.8 billion to \$9.6 billion to resolve current Roundup lawsuits. The company will also set aside \$1.25 billion to fund payouts for potential claims in the future."

Here's a link to the verdict:

<https://www.npr.org/2020/06/24/882949098/bayer-to-pay-more-than-10-billion-to-resolve-roundup-cancer-lawsuits>

Monsanto Agrees to Plead Guilty --- December 2021

"Monsanto admitted in a plea agreement filed today that it committed 30 misdemeanor crimes related to the use of a glufosinate ammonium-based product sold under the brand name Forfeit 280. After using the product in 2020 on corn fields on Oahu, Monsanto allowed workers to enter the fields during a six-day "restricted-entry interval" (REI) after the product was applied.

The plea agreement calls for Monsanto to serve three years of probation, pay a total of \$12 million and continue for another three years a comprehensive environmental compliance program that includes third-party auditor."

Here's a link to the plea agreement:

<http://www.hawaiifreepress.com/Articles-Main/ID/29742/Monsanto-Agrees-to-Plead-Guilty-to-Illegally-Using-Pesticide-at-Corn-Growing-Fields-in-Hawaii>

Court Orders Health Canada To Reassess Safety of Roundup ---- February 11, 2022

"Canadian regulators must conduct a new review of the safety of Roundup weed killer products, following a court's decision that they did not follow their own rules in granting the glyphosate-based herbicide approval."

"In response to the growing concerns over the safety of Roundup, new restrictions and bans have been imposed in many countries, and a number of regulators are reassessing the popular weed killer. It has also led to activists pushing for agencies to take a much harder look at the underlying data about the potential side effects of exposure to glyphosate, the active ingredient."

Here's a link to the information:

<https://www.aboutlawsuits.com/roundup-safety-review-canada/>

Monsanto seeks "emergency" delay for St. Louis trial, March 24, 2022

"Monsanto on Thursday asked a St. Louis judge to delay the start of a trial over claims brought by three men alleging exposure to Monsanto's glyphosate-based herbicides, such as the popular Roundup brand, caused them to develop non-Hodgkin lymphoma.

Here's a link to the information:

<https://careygillam.substack.com/p/monsanto-cites-emergency-in-seeking>

Court rejects Trump-era EPA finding that weed killer is safe, June 17, 2022

"A federal appeals court has rejected a Trump administration finding that the active ingredient in the weed killer Roundup does not pose a serious health risk and is "not likely" to cause cancer in humans."

"The California-based 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals ordered the Environmental Protection Agency to

reexamine its 2020 finding that glyphosate did not pose a risk for people exposed to it by any means - on farms, yards or roadsides or as residue left on food crops."

Here's a link to the information:

<https://abcnews.go.com/Business/wireStory/court-rejects-trump-era-epa-finding-weed-killer-85474509>

U.S. Supreme Court rejects Bayer bid to nix Roundup weedkiller suits, June 21, 2022

"WASHINGTON, June 21 (Reuters) - The U.S. Supreme Court on Tuesday rejected Bayer AG's bid to dismiss legal claims by customers who contend its Roundup weedkiller causes cancer as the German company seeks to avoid potentially billions of dollars in damages.

The justices turned away a Bayer appeal and left in place a lower court decision that upheld \$25 million in damages awarded to California resident Edwin Hardeman, a Roundup user who blamed his cancer on the pharmaceutical and chemical giant's glyphosate-based weedkillers."

Here's a link to the information:

<https://www.reuters.com/legal/government/us-supreme-court-rejects-bayer-bid-nix-roundup-weedkiller-suits-2022-06-21/>

Expert US Groups Launch Legal Action in Attempt to Ban Glyphosate Herbicides, December 18, 2023

"A groundbreaking legal action launched Wednesday calls on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to immediately suspend and cancel the dangerous herbicide glyphosate, the main ingredient in Monsanto's Roundup."

Here's a link to the information:

https://sustainablepulse.com/2023/12/18/expert-groups-launch-legal-action-to-force-epa-to-ban-glyphosate-herbicides/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=glyphosate_gmos_and_pesticides_weekly_global_news_bulletin&utm_term=2024-02-13

Bayer faces billions in Roundup claims as legal strategy falls short, January 31, 2024

Bayer AG faces mounting pressure to come up with a new plan for handling its Roundup weedkiller litigation after getting hammered by U.S. jury verdicts totaling almost \$4 billion over the last three months.

"The German conglomerate's latest courtroom loss was its biggest since Roundup cases started going to trial five and a half years ago, with a Pennsylvania jury awarding \$2.25 billion to a former Roundup user who blamed his cancer diagnosis on long-term exposure to the herbicide.

That prompted a fresh slump in Bayer's shares, as investors worried about the more than 50,000 Roundup claims outstanding in the U.S. that accuse the company's Monsanto unit of hiding the product's cancer risks. After last week's award, they're beginning to worry about whether the company has the financial resources to keep fighting these cases for years to come."

Here's a link to the information:

<https://www.japantimes.co.jp/business/2024/01/31/companies/bayer-billions-roundup-legal-strategy/>

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Important text is highlighted in red.

Bulgaria Bans Glyphosate for Multiple Uses after Successful Agrolink Campaign

Published by Sustainable Pulse, July 15, 2024

Link:

https://sustainablepulse.com/2024/07/15/bulgaria-bans-glyphosate-for-multiple-uses-after-successful-agrolink-campaign/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=glyphosate_gmos_and_pesticides_weekly_global_news_bulletin&utm_term=2024-07-18

Excerpt:

"The campaign of the AGROLINK Association to ban glyphosate-based herbicides in Bulgaria, started 7 years ago, has ended successfully. The use of glyphosate is now banned in areas used by the general public or by vulnerable groups: public parks and gardens, sports and recreation grounds, school and children's playgrounds, as well as near health and educational facilities."

Presence of Weed Killer Glyphosate in Human Sperm Elevates Debate on Pesticide Threats to Human Survival

Published by Beyond Pesticides, June 4, 2024

Link:

<https://beyondpesticides.org/dailynewsblog/2024/06/presence-of-weed-killer-glyphosate-in-human-sperm-elevates-debate-on-pesticide-threats-to-human-survival/>

Excerpt:

"Glyphosate (GLY) was detected in the seminal plasma of the participants, with concentrations that were four times higher than those observed in blood plasma. In contrast, its main metabolite, amino-methyl-phosphonic acid (AMPA), was not detectable. There was a strong positive correlation between the concentrations of glyphosate in blood plasma and seminal plasma and the levels of 8-hydroxy-2'-deoxyguanosine (8-OHdG), a marker of DNA damage due to oxidative stress. The study observed higher concentrations of Total Oxidant Status (TOS), Oxidative Stress Index (OSI) (which is the ratio of TOS to Total Antioxidant Status (TAS)), and malondialdehyde (MDA) in both blood and seminal plasma of men with detectable levels of glyphosate. The Total Antioxidant Status (TAS) in both blood and seminal plasma was similar in men with or without detectable levels of glyphosate, suggesting that the antioxidant capacity remained constant regardless of glyphosate exposure."

High Levels of Weedkiller Found in More than Half of Sperm Samples, Study Finds

Published by Sustainable Pulse, May 23, 2024

Link:

https://sustainablepulse.com/2024/05/23/high-levels-of-weedkiller-found-in-more-than-half-of-sperm-samples-study-finds/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=glyphosate_gmos_and_pesticides_weekly_global_news_bulletin&utm_term=2024-05-28

Excerpt:

"More than 55% of sperm samples from a French infertility clinic contained high levels of glyphosate, the world's most common weedkiller, raising further questions about the chemical's impact on reproductive health and overall safety, a new study found."

"The paper comes as researchers look for answers to why global fertility rates, and many suspect exposure to toxic chemicals like glyphosate is a significant driver of the decline."

"The study's authors wrote it "would be wise for regulators to apply a precautionary principle" in regulation, which means erring on the side of caution to protect human health until further research can be done to confirm the problems identified in the study."

Beating Back the Toxic Onslaught

Published by Organic Consumers Assn., May 19, 2024

Link:

<https://organicconsumers.org/together-we-are-making-waves/>

Excerpt:

"Since we launched Millions Against Monsanto in the late 1990s, the Organic Consumers Association has been on the forefront of the international movement to ban the world's worst toxins, starting with Monsanto's carcinogenic glyphosate-based Roundup herbicide and Bayer's bee-killing neonicotinoid insecticides. Bayer-Monsanto is resorting to dirty tricks, trying to pass laws to keep pesticide-exposed cancer victims from suing and stop states from banning their toxins, because they know, if democracy prevails, they'll lose!"

Sick Because of Roundup? These Bills Could Make Suing Impossible.

By Nick Tabor

Published by The New Republic, March 12, 2024

Link:

<https://newrepublic.com/article/179653/roundup-cancer-monsanto-pesticides>

Excerpt:

"Six years ago, the multinational corporation Bayer made one of the worst purchases in American business history: It bought Monsanto, the maker of Roundup, for \$63 billion. Monsanto was already by a school groundskeeper in the Bay Area who said his exposure to the weedkiller had given him non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. Two months after the merger, a jury awarded the groundskeeper \$289 million. Since then, Bayer has been pummeled with lawsuits, and between, it has been required to pay out more than \$14 billion to plaintiffs. Its stock has 70 percent of its value.

"Since January, bills to shield pesticide manufacturers from lawsuits have been filed in three states where Bayer has a major corporate presence: Missouri (where Monsanto is headquartered), Idaho (where it has a phosphate mine), and Iowa (where it has a manufacturing plant). Daniel Hinkle, an attorney with the American Association for Justice, who works with trial lawyer associations throughout the country, predicted that if these bills succeed, Bayer will push similar legislation in a number of other states next year."

SIGN NOW: Tell Bayer-Monsanto to STOP selling toxic Roundup immediately!

Published by Friends of the Earth, March 2024

Link:

<https://action.foe.org/page/65548/action/1?ea.tracking.id=Email&ea.url.id=2426815>

Excerpt:

"Milkweed is disappearing - and monarch butterflies along with it.

Toxic pesticides are wiping out baby monarchs' only food source. We can't let these precious pollinators disappear.

Bayer-Monsanto has spent years?lying, denying, and distracting?from the fact that its products are contributing to the pollinator crisis and harming people. It has manipulated science and invested in disinformation campaigns to trick the public into thinking products like Roundup are safe.?But Bayer-Monsanto's pesticide products are NOT SAFE.

It's past time Bayer-Monsanto stops lying and stops selling pollinator-toxic pesticides."

EPA Taking Public Comment on Scientific Integrity Amid Criticism by Inspector General and Whistleblowers
Published by Beyond Pesticides, February 10, 2024

Link:

<https://mail.google.com/mail/u/0/#inbox/FMfcgzGxRfBSjPVdFjGFlxhXWtGCglSD>

Excerpt:

"As a result of . . . litigation [associated with health effects of glyphosate/Roundup], Monsanto is forced to turn over millions of pages of internal reports, documents, emails, memos, and different studies. When you look at those along with documents that I and my colleagues at U.S. Right to Know have obtained through the Freedom of Information Act from EPA, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), and various state universities, it's a pretty incredible picture of collusion, deception, and deceit.

The documents show all of these different things: ghost-written research papers that assert glyphosate's safety for publication and regulatory review; alternative assessments provided for studies that indicate harm. So if a regulator is looking at a study and says, "Gosh, this looks like it causes cancer," Monsanto will then give them the rationale for how to interpret the data in a different way. They have networks of European and U.S. scientists that push the safety message to lawmakers and regulators. They appear to be independent, so they appear to be more authoritative and authentic. But behind the scenes we see documents that show that Monsanto is helping them or telling them what to say, or assigning them a task.

New York OAG Forces Bayer and Monsanto to Pay \$6.9 M over False Claims on Roundup Safety
Published by Sustainable Pulse, Jun 23 2023

Link:

https://sustainablepulse.com/2023/06/23/new-york-oag-forces-bayer-and-monsanto-to-pay-6-9-m-over-false-claims-on-roundup-safety/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=glyphosate_gmos_and_pesticides_weekly_global_news_bulletin&utm_term=2023-07-14

Excerpt:

"Bayer and Monsanto repeatedly claimed in advertising that Roundup® consumer products containing the active ingredient glyphosate were safe and non-toxic without adequate substantiation. These claims violated state laws against false and misleading advertising, and also breached a previous settlement the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) reached with Monsanto in 1996, in which Monsanto committed to stop making unsubstantiated claims regarding the safety of Roundup® products that contained glyphosate."

'Outrageous': Research Shows Pesticide Giants Withheld Brain Toxicity Studies From EU
By Jake Johnson

Published by Common Dreams, June 1, 2023

Link:

<https://www.commondreams.org/news/research-pesticides-eu>

Excerpt:

"The journal Environmental Health found that pesticide companies did not disclose to European Union regulators at least nine studies examining the brain toxicity of their chemical products-a finding that experts said is a scandal that must spur reforms.

"The researchers said their findings demonstrate that "non-disclosure of DNT studies to E.U. authorities, in spite of clear legal requirements, seems to be a recurring phenomenon." Last year, the same researchers found that an industry-sponsored DNT study on glyphosate found impacts on "neurobehavioural function, motor activity, in rat offspring"-findings that were not shared with E.U. officials.

Check Your Wine - These 30 Brands Have High Levels of Cancer-Causing Arsenic & Glyphosate
Published by Organic Consumers Assn., June 2023

Link:

https://organicconsumers.org/check-your-wine-these-30-brands-have-high-levels-of-cancer-causing-arsenic-glyphosate/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=engagingnetworks&utm_campaign=OB+805&utm_content=OB+805

Excerpt:

"Were you aware that in 2013, out of the 57,000 pounds of glyphosate/Roundup used in Napa County, a staggering 50,000 pounds were utilized in vineyards? Curiously, Napa, Sonoma, and Mendocino counties exhibit higher breast cancer rates than the national average. Research conducted in Germany indicates that even .1 ppb of glyphosate has the potential to eradicate beneficial gut bacteria, and as little as .1 part per trillion of glyphosate can spur the growth of breast cancer cells."

New Study Shows Dangers of Childhood Exposure to Weed Killer
Published by The Legal Examiner, May, 2023

Link:

<https://www.legalexaminer.com/environment/roundup-lawsuits/new-study-shows-dangers-of-childhood-exposure-to-weed-killer/>

Excerpt:

"The research focused on the use of glyphosate near the duo's homes while the mother was pregnant and, in the children, up to the age of 5 years. Researchers also measured the levels of glyphosate and AMPA in urine. Urine was collected from mothers during pregnancy and children at the ages of 5,14, and 18. The researchers then followed up with liver and metabolic health in those children when they reached 18 years old.

Findings from the study identified that higher levels of glyphosate residue and AMPA were associated with a higher risk of liver inflammation and metabolic disorders in young adulthood. The study also reported that diet was a source of exposure. Children who ate more cereal, fruits, vegetables, and bread had high levels of glyphosate residue. This is the first time researchers have examined the potential connection between early life exposure to glyphosate and metabolic and liver disease.

Glyphosate is an herbicide used to control weeds and grasses and is an active ingredient in products like Roundup. Commonly used in agriculture, glyphosate is also utilized in public spaces like parks, playgrounds, and golf courses to prevent the growth of weeds and unwanted plants. The potential impact of glyphosate on human health is controversial and continues to be widely debated."

The Science-based Evidence to Ban Glyphosate and GMOs

By Andre Leu

Published by Regeneration International, February 19 2023

Link:

https://regenerationinternational.org/2023/02/19/the-science-based-evidence-to-ban-glyphosate-and-gmos/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=engagingnetworks&utm_campaign=OB+794&utm_content=OB+794

Excerpts:

"Mexico announced that it was phasing out the use of glyphosate herbicides, the cultivation of GMO corn, and the import of GMO corn for human consumption and livestock feed by the end of 2024. The reasons for the decree given by Mexican president Andrés Manuel López Obrador are to protect the health of Mexico's consumers and small-scale farmers, the environment, and the purity of Mexico's native corn varieties.

The GMO/pesticide cartels fearing that Mexico will set a precedent for other countries to enact similar restrictions, are puppeteering agencies and officials within the U.S. government to pressure Mexico to abandon its plans. This is not the first time the German-based Bayer-Monsanto has used its captured U.S. government officials and agencies to act on its behalf. In 2019, the corporation succeeded in using U.S. officials to pressure Thailand into reversing its ban on glyphosate."

"A study conducted by Flower et al. examined the levels of cancer in the children of people who sprayed glyphosate for weed control. They found that their children had increased levels of all childhood cancers, including all lymphomas such as non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.

A case-controlled study by Swedish scientists Lennart Hardell and Mikael Eriksson also linked non-Hodgkin's lymphoma to exposure to various pesticides and herbicides, including glyphosate. The link between glyphosate and non-Hodgkin lymphoma has resulted in major court cases, most of which Bayer-Monsanto has lost. Millions of dollars were awarded to the victims."

New US Research Finds "Worrying" Evidence Linking Monsanto Weedkiller to Cancer

Published by Sustainable Pulse, Jan 24, 2023

Link:

https://sustainablepulse.com/2023/01/24/new-us-research-finds-worrying-evidence-linking-monsanto-weedkiller-to-cancer/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=glyphosate_gmos_and_pesticides_weekly_global_news_bulletin&utm_term=2023-02-24#.Y_kEmK_MK1s

Excerpts:

"New research by top US government scientists has found that people exposed to the widely used weed killing chemical glyphosate have biomarkers in their urine linked to the development of cancer and other diseases.

"Notably, in the new paper, the NIH and CDC scientists said that while their study focused on farmers who were exposed to glyphosate when they sprayed it on fields, they saw similar results in "non-farmers." "

"The NIH study is the "largest investigation to date of the relationship between glyphosate exposure and oxidative stress markers," said Jonathan Hofmann, an author of the study from the NIH's National Cancer Institute.

Contaminated Wildflower Nectar and Pollen Puts Bees and Humans at Risk - New Irish Study Slams Pre-Harvest Glyphosate Use

Published by Sustainable Pulse, Jan 19, 2023

Link:

<https://sustainablepulse.com/author/henry/>

Excerpts:

"This is the first time glyphosate has been reported in unsprayed wildflowers under conventional farming conditions and while more research is needed to find how much higher glyphosate concentrations would be in directly sprayed plants, the researchers stated that wild bees and honeybees will visit the contaminated wildflowers to collect pollen and nectar. They will thus be exposed to glyphosate and that could impact their health and the critical pollination service they provide."

MERCHANTS OF POISON How Monsanto Sold the World on a Toxic Pesticide

by Stacy Malkan with Kendra Klein, PhD and Anna Lappé

Published by US Right to Know, October 2022

Link:

https://usrtk.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/Merchants_of_Poison_Report_final_120522.pdf

Excerpt:

"Pulling from these documents - as well as investigative journalism that has exposed elements of this subterfuge - this report showcases the breadth of Monsanto's deception on glyphosate and adds to the growing literature about how corporations deny science and manufacture doubt about the harm of their products. This report reveals key tactics in the pesticide industry's disinformation playbook, showing how, like Big Oil and Big Tobacco, they rely on deceptive PR strategies to maintain their "freedom to operate" without meaningful limits - with dangerous consequences for public health and the environment.

The PR effort has been so forceful - especially Monsanto's efforts to discredit the WHO's researchers - that some observers have described it as a particularly harsh and aggressive effort to undermine cancer research and prevention.

This report builds on previous reporting I and my colleagues have done on pesticide industry disinformation. This includes a 2015 report, *Spinning Food*, that documents how food and pesticide industry front groups use covert communication tactics to shape the narrative about industrial agriculture and organic and sustainable food production.

Thanks to a long history of writing and research, from Rachel Carson's *Silent Spring* (1962) to Robert van den Bosch's *Pesticide Conspiracy* (1989) to David Michael's *The Triumph of Doubt* (2020); Carey Gillam's reporting on Monsanto's herbicide business and the Roundup cancer trials and her two books, *Whitewash* (2017) and *The Monsanto Papers* (2021); the seminal research by Naomi Oreskes and Erik Conway in their book *Merchants of*

Doubt (2010), and other investigative journalists and nonprofits working for transparency, there is growing awareness about industry spin and its harms to people and planet. We hope this report - by taking a deep dive into one company's decades-long disinformation campaign to protect its herbicide, and the sector in general, from regulation - can add to this awareness of industry tactics and convey the urgency of action to address it." (pg 7)

After Reading the Information Below any
Caring Human Being would use Mechanical
and Biological Methods and forget Glyphosate
Application. I hope you and your
IDT Members stop using Roundup at Home.

Research Reveals Roundup Weed Killing Formulations are More Toxic than Glyphosate Alone
<https://naturalsociety.com/monsantos-roundup-poison-125-times-dangerous-regulators-admit/>

The research conclusions of hundreds of independent scientists show glyphosate exposure causes Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma (a type of cancer that begins in the lymphatic system), Birth Defects, Miscarriage, DNA damage, Kidney and Liver Damage, cell death disorder.

The USFS Regional Invasive plant coordinator for R-6 is either not aware of ... or rejects best science conclusions not generated by USDA-approved scientists. They know the USDA has been sleeping with the pesticide/herbicide manufacturers (including Monsanto) for decades. Thus, in order to not jeopardize their jobs they obediently feed forest employees, untrue, fabricated, cooked up information showing glyphosate exposure is nothing to be concerned about.

If glyphosate is safe why would herbicides that contain this chemical be banned Denmark, England, Italy, El Salvador, Sri Lanka, France, Holland, Austria, Bulgaria, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Japan, Chile, South Africa, Luxembourg, Madeira, Cameroon, New Zealand, Peru, South Australia, Russia, France, Switzerland, Columbia, and Costa Rica?
<https://biodx.co/28-countries-ban-the-use-of-glyphosate-key-ingredient-in-roundup/>

Comment: Supervisor Brooke, I have submitted comments by hundreds of independent Ph.D. scientists (many chemists and medical doctors). Without exception they present evidence that even casual exposure to herbicides that contain the chemical glyphosate causes cancer. I ask you to use an alternative to Roundup. There are many that will satisfy your goals.

Please open Opposing Views Attachment #9. You will find 91 quotes authored and/or cosigned by well respected scientists (43 with Ph.D.s). Their quotes were released in the following publications:

Why would legal firms spend the money to buy
ads on radio and TV offering to represent people
who had been diagnosed with cancer after
using Roundup?

Please have the courage to read them all.

Tosi Law

Link:
https://roundup.tosifirm.com/roundup-lawsuit?utm_source=za%2Einvesting%2Ecom+-+b1_triplelift+-+520232&utm_medium=native&utm_campaign=roundup+-+38586683&utm_content=54217225+-

+149284109&utm_term=z1149284109b1_triplelift__za%2Einvesting%2Ecom1z&postbackid=63815_726e91b7-dfdd-11ee-953c-08e6e3c91a3c&_z1_adgid=54217225&_z1_caid=149284109&_z1_msid=b1_triplelift&_z1_pub=za%2Einvesting%2Ecom&zpbid=63815_726e91b7-dfdd-11ee-953c-08e6e3c91a3c

James Harris Law

Link:

https://www.recallsuit.com/roundup-lawsuit-b/?msclkid=5be7029551971de0ec305fab2abdbbd2&utm_source=bing&utm_medium=cpc&utm_campaign=Roundup&utm_term=lymphoma%20lawsuits&utm_content=Lymphoma%20Lawsuit

Sokolove Law

Link:

https://roundup.sokolovelaw.com/?src=bing_webppc_328577675_%2Bmonsanto%20%2Blawsuit_%7Bcontent%7D_b_o_lymphoma%20lawsuits%20against%20monsanto&numberToReplace&campaignId&ringPoolId&jpow=aa_328577675_bb_1233652168336312_cc_%2Bmonsanto%20%2Blawsuit_dd_b_ee_o_ff_%7Bbadposition%7D_gg_c_hh_%7Bdevice%7D_ii_jj_110194_kk_ll_%7Bplacement%7D_mm_%7Btarget%7D_nn_kwd-77103363003058%3Aloc-190_oo_%7Bcreative%7D_pp_%7Bbrand%7D_qq_%7Bacid%7D_rr_77103314975124_ss_77103363003058

Class Claims LLC

Link:

<https://www.class.claims/round-up-lawsuit>

Trustwell Law Group

Link:

https://www.trustwelllaw.com/environmental/roundup/lawsuit?utm_source=bing-ads&utm_medium=paid-search&utm_campaign=roundup&msclkid=7aa5b3c82ae01c32cf94eef65692be31&utm_term=monsanto%20lymphoma%20lawsuit&utm_content=Monsanto%20Lymphoma%20Lawsuit%20%7C%20Exact

ROUNDUPCANCER ATTORNEYS.COM

Link:

https://roundupcancerattorneys.com/roundup-lawsuit?msclkid=b0a975edf092161d3c4628d372a24497&utm_source=bing&utm_medium=cpc&utm_campaign=RoundUp%20Cancer&utm_term=roundup%20lawsuit&utm_content=Lawsuit%20roundup

Carlson Law Firm

Link:

<https://www.carlsonattorneys.com/news-and-update/roundup-2019/>

A Case for Women

Link:

<https://www.acaseforwomen.com/adv/roundup->

lawsuit/?utm_campaign=369081443&utm_source=bing&utm_medium=cpc&utm_content=79439809871843&utm_term=roundup%20lawsuit&adgroupid=1271035841951610&msclkid=f2058d93dd24196d73b4d0ad5f144d1c

Saiontz & Kirk

Link:
<https://www.youhavealawyer.com/roundup/cancer-settlements-faq/>

Greenberg & Bederman, LLC

Link:
<https://www.gblawyers.com/roundup-lawsuits/>

Rosen Injury Lawyers

Link:
<https://roseninjurylawyers.com/roundup-lawsuits/>

Garber Law Offices

Link:
<https://www.garber.law/glyphosate-roundup/>

You tell the public you will continue to eliminate invasive plant species and create suitable conditions for the establishment of desired tree seedlings using manual and mechanical treatment and assure the DEIS or pre-decisional EA tells the public "herbicides that contain glyphosate will not be used anywhere for any reason on the Allegheny National Forest in the future."

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- *Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry
- *Environmental Health News
- *University of Washington News
- *The Guardian
- *Journal of Toxicology
- *University of Pittsburgh News
- *Pesticide Action Network North America
- *
- *British Columbia Ministry of Environment, Wildlife Report No. R-28
- *Science in Society
- *International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics
- *Colin Campbell Center for Nutrition Studies
- *The Defender - Children's Health Defense®
- *The Financial Times, UK
- *Institute for Responsible Technology
- *Common Dreams
- *Pesticide Action Network Asia and the Pacific
- *Permaculture Research Institute
- *Science in Society

- *chemicalWATCH Factsheet
- *Reuters
- *The Organic and Non-GMO Report
- *Beyond Pesticides
- *Institute of Science in Society
- *Ecological Applications
- *Organic Gardening
- *Chemical. Research in Toxicology
- *Toxicology
- *Weston A. Price Foundation
- *National Library of Medicine
- *Organic Producers Association of Queensland
- *Truthout
- *Foodconsumer
- *The Progressive
- *Project Censored
- *Grist
- *Rachel's Environment and Health News
- *EPA-738-F-93-011
- *Journal of Pesticide Reform
- *The Sun (Malaysia)
- *Wild Ones Journal
- *Genetic Concern
- *Journal of Pesticide Reform
- *RACHEL'S HAZARDOUS WASTE NEWS
- *HEALTH-ARGENTINA
- *Portland independent media center,
- *GroundTruth
- *Natural Society
- *US Right to Know

Request for changes to be made to the final NEPA document: Assure the final says "no herbicides will be applied anywhere at anytime as part of this project that contain the chemical glyphosate."

If this is not done, the following laws have been violated

40 CFR §1508.27(b)(2) because the FONSI intensity discussion did not discuss the degree to which the proposed action affects public health or safety.

40 CFR 1500.2(e) because the Proposed Action did not "avoid or minimize adverse effects of these actions upon the quality of the human environment."

40 CFR 1500.2(f) because the Proposed Action did not "use all practicable means, consistent with the requirements of the Act and other essential considerations of national policy, to restore and enhance the quality of the human environment and avoid or minimize any possible adverse effects of their actions upon the quality of the human environment"

NEPA Sec. 101(b)(2) because the Proposed Action did not "assure for all Americans safe, healthful, productive and esthetically and culturally pleasing. surroundings;"

NEPA Sec. 101(c) because the Proposed Action did not assure that "each person should enjoy a healthful environment."

Willful Reckless Endangerment.

"Reckless endangerment is a crime consisting of acts that create a substantial risk of serious physical injury to another person. The accused person isn't required to intend the resulting or potential harm, but must have acted in a way that showed a disregard for the foreseeable consequences of the actions. The charge may occur in various contexts, such as, among others, domestic cases, car accidents, construction site accidents, testing sites, domestic/child abuse situations, and hospital abuse."

Ex. Ord. No. 13045, Apr. 23, 1997 because the Proposed Action did not assure the "Protection of Children from Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks."

Comment Requirements

Project Name Integrated Invasive Species Project

Responsible Official and Title Rebecca Brooke, Forest Supervisor

District & Forest where it will be implemented Entire Siuslaw National Forest