Video: Canadian scientists say glyphosate hazard but not health risk

In March, the World Health Organization released a report that listed glyphosate as "probably carcinogenic to humans." Glyphosate is widely used in Canada, which farms a lot of genetically modified canola, corn and soy, which is resistant to glyphosate. Health Canada says it is hazardous but not a health risk.

To understand the debate, the Agenda with Steve Paikin on Ontario's public broadcasting station TVO interviews Joseph A Schwartz, host of Dr. Joe Show and director of McGill University's office for Science and Society, and John McLaughlin, chief public office with Public Health Ontario and scientist at University of Toronto who was part of team that released the report on glyphosate.

McLaughlin says that if the glyphosate is used according to instructions given by Health Canada, it is not a health risk.

However, McLaughlin discusses how the WHO committee also considered new knowledge about mechanisms underlying cancer, such as epigenetics, which led to the "probably carcinogenic" designation for glyphosate.

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