

## New Zealand's EPA finds glyphosate 'unlikely to be carcinogenic'

The Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) commissioned Dr Wayne Temple, a toxicologist and former Director of the New Zealand National Poisons Centre, to undertake a review of the evidence relating to the possible carcinogenicity of glyphosate. . . .

Dr Temple's report was peer reviewed by toxicologists from the EPA and the Ministry for Primary Industries.

The review took into account studies reviewed in the International Agency for Research on Cancer . . . report, as well as additional studies that were not reviewed by IARC but have been assessed by overseas regulators including the European Food Safety Authority . . . , US Environmental Protection Agency . . . and the Joint FAO/WHO meeting on Pesticide Residues. . .

The review concluded that glyphosate is unlikely to be carcinogenic to humans or genotoxic (damaging to genetic material or DNA) and should not be classified as a mutagen or carcinogen. . .

This conclusion was based largely on consideration of the results of studies on humans . . . and studies in laboratory animals, as well as genotoxicity studies. . .

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Based on the information currently available, the EPA considers that glyphosate products approved in New Zealand are safe to use when following the instructions on the label.

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