## Viewpoint: Why farmers should pay attention to glyphosate-cancer lawsuits

The San Fransisco Superior Court will soon hear testimony from a man dying of non-Hodgkin's lymphoma who claims Roundup (glyphosate) caused his cancer. This trial is the first of many against Monsanto under claims its widely-used herbicide lead to cancer.

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Monsanto says they'll be successful at trial because time after time glyphosate has proven to be safe.

"This is 100% based on IARC [which is associated with the World Health Organization, WHO]," says Scott Partridge, Monsanto vice president of global strategy in an interview with AgWeb concerning the trial. "Since then we have seen a number of things, WHO has come out and said glyphosate isn't a carcinogen, we've reregistered glyphosate in a number of countries—namely EU—and the most significant epidemiology study found no association with glyphosate and any form of cancer."

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If lawyers and activists are successful, this could have a sizeable effect on the way Midwest farmers operate. A win for the plaintiff could cause a trickle-down effect that limits the way farmers can use the world's most popular herbicide.

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