

## Bayer appeals \$78M verdict in landmark Monsanto glyphosate-cancer lawsuit

Agribusiness giant Monsanto on [November 20] appealed a \$78 million verdict in favor of a dying [California](#) man who said the company's widely used Roundup weed killer was a major factor in his cancer.

The company filed a notice of appeal in San Francisco Superior Court challenging a jury verdict in favor of DeWayne Johnson. In August, the jury unanimously found that Roundup caused Johnson's non-Hodgkin's lymphoma and awarded him \$289 million.

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"We continue to believe that the liability verdict and reduced damage award are not supported by the evidence at trial or the law," Bayer, which acquired Monsanto in June, said in a statement. Bayer said none of the science presented at trial supported the conclusion that Roundup was a substantial cause of Johnson's cancer.

An email to a spokeswoman for Johnson's attorneys was not immediately returned.

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Many government regulators have rejected a link between glyphosate and cancer. Monsanto says hundreds of studies have established that glyphosate is safe.

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