

As US legal battle over Monsanto's Roundup rages, Brazil health officials say glyphosate doesn't cause cancer

Analysts at Brazil health agency Anvisa have determined that the weed-killer glyphosate does not cause cancer while recommending a series of precautions be adopted in its use, amid growing international pressure to reduce use of the chemical.

The findings come as a legal battle rages in the United States over cancer cases allegedly caused by glyphosate....Anvisa's risk analysis team [presented] its conclusions on [February 26] to the agency's directors, who will vote on whether to advance them to a public consultation phase before they decide on final approval.

Brazil bans any agrichemicals found to cause cancer and the findings would allow sales of glyphosate, the most widely sold herbicide in the country, to continue.

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Aside from the issue of whether or not glyphosate causes cancer, Anvisa analysts say health risks remain for those exposed to the chemical when it is being applied to crops and suggested new limits on exposure.

The agency will also recommend banning certain emulsion-in-water glyphosate products, adoption of safer application technologies and better practices to limit exposure. It also stipulates a safe distance to keep from populated areas when using the chemical.

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