## Glyphosate trial: Text messages, emails reveal Monsanto's 'cozy' relationship with EPA, plaintiffs' lawyer argues

As the trial over the world's most widely used herbicide and its connection to a California couple's cancer stretches into its third week, their attorney showed the jury more unsealed records showing a cozy relationship between the agrochemical company and U.S. regulators.

Attorney Brent Wisner, representing plaintiffs Alva and Alberta Pilliod, played video testimony of Monsanto corporate spokesman William Reeves in court [April 15], in which he acknowledged Monsanto executives had exchanged text messages with regulators who sat on a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency committee that found glyphosate, the main ingredient in Roundup, is not carcinogenic for humans.

The Pilliods' legal team hopes these....exchanges will be enough evidence of collusion between Monsanto and the EPA to delay a review by the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, a public health agency connected to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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Wisner also showed the jury internal emails of Monsanto's efforts to get the agency to wait with its review until after the EPA's own re-evaluation/preliminary risk assessment of glyphosate.

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