

Podcast: ‘Endarkenment’—How glyphosate-cancer hysteria spreads despite ample evidence of weed killer’s safety

It’s hardly possible to turn on the news, to talk to a farmer, or to visit a nursery without hearing something about glyphosate, the active ingredient in many of the world’s most popular and effective herbicides like Roundup

.... [Y]ou’ve probably already heard a thousand times that the science shows no risk associated with glyphosate, despite a single committee from the World Health Organization listing it as a probable carcinogen, and despite prominent court cases awarding billions of dollars to cancer victims with the finding that the cancer was caused by glyphosate.

So we’re not going to rehash that same “science vs. pop culture” argument again. Instead we’re going to look at the science behind how this misinformation spread, to the point that a huge proportion of people in the world believe a harmless product is harmful The story of glyphosate misinformation is the perfect example of what I like to call the Endarkenment: the modern rejection of science and facts in favor of misinformation.

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