Sydney, Australia may end glyphosate use as public opposition to Bayer's weed killer grows

Sydney's city council said on [July 5] it was reviewing the use of Bayer AG's Roundup, after other councils in Australia began cutting ties with the product amid concerns about possible links to cancer.

The council, which covers the city's business center, was "reviewing (its) weed management methods and investigating other technologies," a spokeswoman told Reuters in an email

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The prospect of Sydney council rethinking its ties to Roundup shows the pressure that grassroots campaigns and lawsuits are putting on governments about the product even as regulators declare it safe.

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Because there's a lot of emotion around it, local agencies may be moved to make a decision that's made based on placating the general public rather than the available science," said Ian Musgrave, a molecular pharmacologist and toxicologist at University of Adelaide.

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