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### Glyphosate Benefits and Safety

Glyphosate is a vital crop protection tool for environmentally sustainable agriculture. Glyphosate-based herbicides enable growers to employ sustainable practices, such as no-till farming, that improve soil health, reduce carbon emissions, and protect the environment. More here: [Monsanto.com/glyphosate](https://www.monsanto.com/glyphosate)

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When it comes to safety, glyphosate is one of the most thoroughly studied and approved agricultural products on the market. For more than 40 years, glyphosate has been extensively evaluated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA), the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) and many other regulators who have unanimously determined that it can be used safely.

No regulatory agency in the world has concluded that glyphosate is a carcinogen. While [IARC's erroneous classification](#) has attracted media attention and been used repeatedly by certain anti-agriculture organizations to generate unwarranted fear and confusion, regulators around the world continue to support the safe use of glyphosate.

### Response to “Whitewash” Book [Opposing Modern Sustainable Agriculture](#)

[It is important to defend sound science and essential that the world is not misled by unbalanced information undermining the work of scientists globally, including those working for countries' regulatory authorities such as the EPA.](#)

Author Carey Gillam is a paid employee of an activist group directly funded by the Organic Consumers Association (OCA), the Dr. Bronner's Family Foundation, and other groups that oppose modern sustainable agriculture. It is in the best interests of these groups to proliferate sensationalist misinformation that attempts to undermine the science supporting glyphosate-based herbicides. The objective of doing so is to directly and indirectly pressure the farming community into using less sustainable and more environmentally damaging farming techniques reliant on products sold by affiliates of the OCA. Glyphosate enables growers to employ sustainable practices, such as no-till farming, that improve soil health, reduce carbon emissions and protect the environment.

[Click here for more about the author.](#)

The author's main flawed argument is that glyphosate is carcinogenic, which is based on the 2015 IARC classification – a conclusion that excluded critical data and is a complete outlier from the science supporting the decisions of every regulatory agency globally. To be clear, every regulatory agency in the world has concluded that glyphosate is safe to use.

Importantly, the legal and regulatory system for testing our products is robust, independent, and effective. Regulatory authorities such as the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) require companies to conduct and submit nearly 100 safety studies before a pesticide can be placed on the market. Even after regulatory authorities approve a pesticide for use, they continue to consider new information to assess the safety of registered products. More details about the EPA's process is available here: [www.EPA.gov/pesticides](http://www.EPA.gov/pesticides).

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