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pursuant to Rule 133 of the Rules of Procedure on the risks associated with insecticides

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Motion for a European Parliament resolution on the risks associated with insecticides

The European Parliament,

- having regard to Article 168 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,
- having regard to Rule 133 of its Rules of Procedure,
- A. whereas, on 9 January 2015, the Environment International journal published a study carried out by researchers at Inserm, the French National Institute of Health and Medical Research, analysing the effects of childhood exposure to pyrethroid insecticides, with which children come into contact on a daily basis as a group exposed to particularly high levels of insecticides given their 'closer proximity [...] to ground-level dust (which stores pollutants), more frequent hand-to-mouth contact, lice shampoos, etc.';
- B. whereas the insecticides in question may lead to reduced cognitive functions in children, particularly affecting their ability to concentrate and understand their environment, and their memory;
- 1. Takes note of the risk assessments performed by the competent agencies and published by the Commission thus far, and, in particular, the European Food Safety Authority publications on the health risks of exposure to pesticides;
- 2. Encourages the Commission to take steps to improve how risk assessments are carried out prior to the authorisation of pharmaceutical products and, where necessary, to review the authorisations already granted for the products discussed in recital A.



