

**Question for written answer E-006307/2017
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Exemptions for endocrine disruptors

Parliament has just rejected the Commission proposal for a regulation amending Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 by setting out scientific criteria for the determination of endocrine disrupting properties.

Its position was based on legal and scientific opinions from a number of organisations (the Endocrine Society, the European Society of Endocrinology, the European Society for Paediatric Endocrinology and the Centre for International Environmental Law, among others) which have stated that the Commission has gone far beyond the powers granted to it under Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009 concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market. The opinions also stated that the proposal for a regulation calls into question the Commission's own public health objectives, which are implicit in Regulation (EC) No 1107/2009, by clearing the way for the wider use of herbicides such as glyphosate.

On what studies did the Commission base its regulation exemptions? What view does it take on Parliament's rejection of the proposal for a regulation and will it now revise it?