

**Question for written answer E-002232/2016  
to the Commission**

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Subject: Glyphosate

For some time now, we have been receiving information indicating that glyphosate – an ingredient in many plant protection products – could cause cancer. In 2002, the EU stated that glyphosate is not genotoxic, but recent studies are undermining this view by indicating that it may have a negative impact on human and animal health, leading to congenital defects, cancer and other serious illnesses. The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) is investigating the issue of glyphosate.

In this connection:

1. Is the Commission familiar with the latest studies on glyphosate?
2. Is the Commission monitoring the conclusions of those studies?
3. What steps does the Commission intend to take vis-à-vis glyphosate?