

Shockingly High Levels Of Weedkiller Found In Four Popular Breakfast Cereals Marketed For British Children



Weedkiller found in 43 out of 45 popular breakfast cereals marketed for US children.

Significant levels of the weedkilling chemical glyphosate have been found in an array of popular breakfast cereals, oats and snack bars marketed to US children, a new study has found.

Tests revealed glyphosate, the active ingredient in the popular weedkiller brand Roundup, present in all but two of the 45 oat-derived products that were sampled by the Environmental Working Group, a public health organization.

Nearly three in four of the products exceeded what the EWG classes safe for children to consume. Products with some of the highest levels of glyphosate include granola, oats and snack bars made by leading industry names Quaker, Kellogg's and General Mills, which makes Cheerios.

In April, internal emails obtained from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) showed that scientists have found glyphosate on a wide range of commonly consumed food, to the point that they were finding it difficult to identify a food without the chemical on it.

The FDA has yet to release any official results from this process. (The FDA have now released the list, but significantly they have excluded figures for oats and wheat, two crops that have Roundup sprayed on them pre-harvest.) **The UK Guardian reported: "There was no indication that the claims related to products sold outside the US."**

With this reassurance by the Guardian in mind, we purchased four oat-based cereals marketed for children from our local supermarket in Wales and sent them to a Health Research Institute in Fairfield, Iowa which is accredited to analyse foods for glyphosate and other pesticides.

Dr John Fagan told us they were 'shockingly high levels' and 'to think they were being given to young children.'

His official report said: "These results are consistently concerning. The levels consumed in a single daily helping of any one of these cereals, even the one with the lowest level of contamination, is sufficient to put the person's glyphosate levels above the levels that cause fatty liver disease in rats (and likely in people).

I have included results for two "organic" products from the US for comparison. The granola has some glyphosate in. Even more concerning is the "organic" rolled oats that have the highest glyphosate levels of any product tested here. What this means is that, at least in the USA, organic integrity is less than perfect, to say the least! We have seen evidence of cheating before, but this is the worst!"

We knew that some UK farmers had been spraying Roundup on cereals pre-harvest since 1980 in order to desiccate (dry) crops, at the suggestion of a scientist from Monsanto.

The amounts of Roundup sprayed by UK farmers on crops has gone from 226,762 kg in 1990 to 2,240,408 kg in 2016, a ten-fold increase, so residues have been building up in food.

A research study in 2017 by the European Commission's Joint Research Centre, the Dutch University of Wageningen and Rikilt laboratories, tested 317 EU soil samples of arable land. 'Denmark, the UK and Portugal are the worst in this spectrum, with the highest detection frequency. All tested crops presented glyphosate and AMPA residues.' The results from the UK will probably be the same in other European countries.

Séralini's team in France has identified arsenic, chromium, cobalt, lead and nickel in chemical formulants of glyphosate-based herbicides (GBH). I understand that President Macron has suggested that farmers won't be paid if they continue to use these.

That is why the people are so sick and the life expectancy in Britain is decreasing. Since 1974 we have been eating food poisoned with weedkiller, laced with heavy metals including arsenic, and other pesticides.

I also attach a document to show that the Westminster Government is colluding with corporations against the people: Shockingly high levels of weedkiller found in four popular breakfast cereals marketed for British children

The pesticides regulatory authorities are governed by England. They are protecting the agrochemical industry. Therefore, when they assure Scotland and Wales that Roundup and other glyphosate-based herbicides have no effects on human health and the environment, they are conveying messages from the European Glyphosate Task Force, the industry body.

Increasing incidence of cancer in children in Europe and competing risks

Extracts from the paper: "First, cancer incidence in children aged 0–14 years has gradually increased over the 1991–2010 period. Second, for all five cancer categories investigated, incidence increases were similar in all four regions. Another contrast across European regions concerns the use of pesticides in agriculture. In 2014, the quantities of pesticide sales per capita were about three times greater in Spain, Italy, and France than in Sweden or the UK. If increasing cancer incidence trends were due to pesticides, dissimilarities in incidence trends for leukaemia and lymphoma would be expected between European regions, which was not the case."

The obvious explanation is that everyone in Europe is eating the same food with weed killer in it.

Wales-on-line has discovered that all Councils in Wales are spraying Glyphosate-based herbicides on weeds. These are poisoning the people and the environment with arsenic, chromium, cobalt, lead and nickel. That is why our nature reserve has been poisoned.

The results of our samples sent to the US Health Research Institute have shown that Roundup is present in all our food, starting with young children. You can read the opinion of the Director of HRI...that these are shocking high levels and children's health (and that of adults) will be affected for the rest of their lives.

The UK media is silent about the matter. Are they being paid by the Agrochemical Industry to support the Westminster Government?

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Breakfast Cereals 1.

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From Kellogg's to Quaker's and even Weetabix: Revealed, the UK cereals 'which contain potentially "harmful" amounts of WEEDKILLER linked to cancer'

At least three cereals on supermarket shelves in the UK may contain an unhealthy amount of a potentially cancer-causing weedkiller.

Tests apparently show levels of glyphosate are higher in cereals from Kellogg's, Quaker and Weetabix than considered safe for humans.

Campaigners the Environmental Working Group (EWG) claim any more glyphosate than 160 parts per billion (ppb) in cereal is unsafe.

But Kellogg's No Added Sugar Granola with Apricot and Pumpkin Seeds, Quaker's Oat So Simple Original Microwaveable Oats, and Weetabix's Oatibix are all said to contain levels higher than EWG's benchmark.

These three cereals were part of just four which were sent to the US for testing by a scientist in South Wales – Cheerios were also sent but had lower levels.

It comes after a EWG report yesterday found 26 of 28 oat-based cereal products in the US contained 'harmful' levels of glyphosate.

The World Health Organization says glyphosate is 'probably carcinogenic' – cancer-causing – although there is debate over whether it causes cancer in reality.



The European legal limit for glyphosate in oats is 20,000 ppb, but the EWG says being legal does not necessarily make something safe.

A campaigner from Wales, Dr Rosemary Mason, sent four cereals to the US to be tested for the chemical.

The Kellogg's granola with apricot and pumpkin seeds was apparently found to have the equivalent of 499.9 ppb – 312.4 per cent higher than the EWG's benchmark.

Quaker's microwaveable oats had 464.23 ppb – 290.1 per cent higher, and Weetabix's Oatibix contained 318.85 ppb – 199.2 per cent higher.

THE GLYPHOSATE SAFETY SAGA

Glyphosate is a herbicide used to kill weeds which was first registered for use in the US in 1974.

It is marketed either as a salt or an amber-colored liquid with no smell.

Monsanto markets glyphosate as part of the pesticide Roundup.

Several studies found that high doses administered to laboratory animals caused cancer, although the evidence is 'limited' when it comes to humans.

In March 2015, the World Health Organization ranked glyphosate a Group 2a carcinogen, a substance that probably causes cancer in people.

In 2017, California added glyphosate to its proposition 65 list, which requires Roundup to carry a warning label if sold in California.

Monsanto has vehemently denied that its product causes cancer and says and more than 800 studies that have established its safety.

Yet more than 4,000 plaintiffs have filed lawsuits - 800 over the past year - claiming Monsanto made them or members of their family sick.

In the testing, done by the Health Research Institute, glyphosate concentrations are measured in nanograms per gram, which are equal to parts per billion.

'I was extremely alarmed at the results and parents should be warned,' Dr Mason told campaign website Beyond GM.

Dr Mason worked for decades as an NHS anaesthetist and was assistant editor of the medical journal, Anaesthesia.

Dr Alexis Temkin, a toxicologist at the EWG who worked on the report, says finding the chemical in cereals is disconcerting.

'The report shows that breakfast cereals are not a place for pesticides linked to cancer,' Dr Temkin told Daily Mail Online.

'Just because something is legal doesn't mean it's safe or that it provides that extra level of protection for children.

'What we show here is that there are detectable levels in common foods that children exposed to every day. Over a long period of time, that can be dangerous.'

The UK does not grow genetically modified crops to feed to humans, but the US does, and the practise has led to a rise in the use of glyphosate.

The chemical is, however, sprayed on picked crops around the world to help dry them out, and is used as a weedkiller by landscapers.

Gardener Dewayne Johnson, 46, from California, successfully sued Monsanto, which makes weedkiller Roundup for \$78million (£60m) after claiming their product gave him terminal cancer.

A jury decided it was the glyphosate in the weedkiller which had left him with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.

Weetabix declined to comment – Kellogg's and Quaker did not respond to requests.

<https://www.dailymail.co.uk/health/article-6315209/Revealed-UK-cereals-contain-potentially-harmful-amounts-WEEDKILLER.html>

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