
Regulatory Guideline studies to investigate developmental effects of glyphosate

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Rat

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Brooker <i>et al.</i> , 1991, TOX9552393; 206-Jak-25-1, 98.6%; Cheminova	Develop- mental, CD, gavage, d 6-15 p.c.	0, 300, 1000, 3500 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal & developmental: 300 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal & dev.: 1000 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal: slight bw gain↓, noisy respiration (2/25); Dev.: ossi- fication↓, skeletal anomalies	Study acceptable; previous evaluation confirmed

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Suresh, 1991, TOX9551105; FSG 03090 H/05. March 90, 96.8%; Feinchemie	Develop- mental, Wistar, gavage, d 6-15 p.c.	0, 1000 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal: 1000 mg/kg bw/d Dev. < 1000 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal: not established Dev.: 1000 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal: no effects; Dev.: ossi- fication.]	Study acceptable as limit-test; maternal NOAEL confirmed, dev. NOAEL (previously 1000 mg/kg bw/d) not confirmed

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Tasker & Rodwell, 1980; TOX9552392; Batch not stated, 98.7%; Monsanto	Develop- mental, Charles River, gavage, d 6- 19 p.c.	0, 300, 1000, 3500 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal&dev.: 1000 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal & dev. 3500 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal:m ortality, soft stool, diarrhea, Dev.: bw↓, post im- plantation losses	Study acceptable; previous evaluation confirmed

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Anonym (Antal?), 1981; TOX9650160; Batch not stated, purity 96.8%; Alkaloida	Develop- mental, CFY, diet, d 6-18 p.c.	Calculated to be 0, 22, 103, 544 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal & dev.: 544 mg/kg bw/d	Not established	No treatment related effects	Study supple- mentary; previus evaluation confirmed

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Moxon, 1996; TOX2000-2001 and 2002 ASB2012- 10080; Y04707/034, 95.6%; Syngenta	Develop- mental, Alpk (Wi- star de- rived), gavage, d 7-16 p.c.	0, 250, 500, 1000 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal & dev.: 1000 mg/kg bw/d	Not established	None	Study acceptable: JMPR (2004, ASB2008- 6266) evaluation confirmed

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Hatakenaka, 1995 ASB2012-11497; 940908-1, 95.68%; Arysta	Develop- mental, CD (SD),, gavage, d 6- 15 p.c.	0, 30, 300, 1000 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal&dev.: 300 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal& dev: 1000 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal: Loose stool Dev.: skeletal anomalies↑	Study acceptable

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Suresh <i>et al.</i> , 1993; TOX9551106; Batch 60, 96.8%; Feinchemie	Developmental, NZW rabbit, d 6-18 p.c., gavage	0, 20, 100, 500 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal: 20 mg/kg bw/d. dev.: 100 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal: 100 mg/kg bw/d; dev.: not established due to low number of foetuses	Maternal: mortality, soft/liquid stool; dev.: no clear-cut effects up to 100 mg/kg bw/d, high dose group excluded due to low number of foetuses/litters	Study supplementary, previous NOAELs confirmed

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Foetal findings in the study by Suresh (1993)

Dose group (mg/kg bw/d)	0	20	100	500
Percentage of foetuses with 'dilated heart'	0.0	5.1*	5.2*	17.9*
No. affected/total number of foetuses examined	-	4/78	4/77	5/28
Litters affected/no. of litters	-	3/13	2/12	2/6
Foetuses with major visceral malformations	4/133	6/78	6/77	8/28
Percentage of foetuses with extra 13 th rib	0.0	1.3	2.6	3.6*

* statistically significant, $p \leq 0.05$

Mid & high dose: overt maternal toxicity incl. death
high embryonic loss

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Tasker <i>et al.</i> , 1980; TOX9552390; Lot XHJ-64, 98.7%; Monsanto	Develop- mental, Dutch Belted rabbit, d 6- 27 p.c., gavage	0, 75, 175, 350 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal: 75 mg/kg bw/d, dev.: 175 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal: 175 mg/kg bw/d, dev.: not established due to low number of fetuses	Maternal: mortality, soft stool, Diarrhea; dev.: none	Study supple- mentary, previous maternal NOAEL confirmed, dev. NOAEL revised

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* observed at excessive maternally toxic dose level

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Rabbit, BROOKER et al., 1991

High dose: one maternal death

Elevated post-implantation loss in all treated groups
(upper end of hcd), no dose response

Ventricular septal defects:
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Bhide & Patil, 1989; TOX9551960; Lot 38, 95%; Barclay, Luxan	Developmental, NZW rabbit, d 6- 18 p.c., gavage	0, 125, 250, 500 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal& dev.: 250 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal&dev 500 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal: food, bw↓, abortion; Dev.: dead foetuses, malforma- tions (external, visceral & skeletal)	Study supple- mentary due ot severe reporting deficien- cies, previous NOAELs confirmed

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Hojo, 1995, ASB2012-11498; T-041209, 97.56%; Arysta	Developmental, Japanese White rabbits (Kbl:JW), d 6-18 p.c., gavage	0, 10, 100, 300 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal: 100 mg/kg bw/d, Developmental: 300 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal: 300 mg/kg bw/d, Developmental: not Established	Maternal: Loose stool, abortion, 1 doe died; Dev.: none	Study acceptable

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Coles & Doleman, 1996; ASB2012- 11499; H95D161A, 95.3%; Nufarm	Develop- mental, NZW rabbit, d 7- 19 p.c., gavage	0, 50, 200, 400 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal & dev.: 50 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal& dev.: 200 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal: bw gain ↓, Dev.: post- implanta- tion loss	Study acceptable

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Moxon, 1996; TOX2000-2002; Y04704/034, 95.6%; Syngenta	Develop- mental, NZW rabbit, d 8- 20 p.c., gavage	0, 100, 175, 300 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal: 100 mg/kg bw/d, Dev.:175 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal: 175 mg/kg bw/d Dev.: 300 mg/kg bw/d	Maternal: food, bw gain ↓, clinical signs, dev.: foetal wt & ossi- fication ↓	Study acceptable, 2004 JMPR evaluation confirmed

Summary:

7 studies in rats, no specific concern

7 studies in rabbits, two in in the grey zone

Does this justify classification and labelling:

cat. 1b / 2 ?

cat. 2 / 3

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"... **misconception** that materials can be categorised **absolutely as teratogens or nonteratogens**, a belief that is contrary to one of the basic principles of teratology, namely, that any material may be teratogenic if given to the right species at the right time at the right dosage."

A. K. Palmer, 1980