# Explanatory text to WCSR Advice 2016-07

SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE REACH (WCSR)

EXPLANATORY TEXT TO ADVICE ON THE PROPOSED HARMONIZED CLASSIFICATION AND LABELLING OF GLYPHOSATE (CARCINOGENICITY AND MUTAGENICITY ENDPOINTS)



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#### **EXPLANATORY TEXT**

The Scientific Committee REACH emphasizes:

- as already stated in the advice, that for Classification & Labelling purpose only data on the active substance glyphosate are considered
- as a consequence, that the carcinogenicity and mutagenicity endpoints of coformulants in formulations or of the formulations are not the subject of the advice
- that the classification is based solely on the hazardous properties of the substance, neither on the risk of nor on the exposure to the substance
- that the criteria for classifying and labelling hazardous chemicals, laid down in the CLP Regulation 1271/2008, are used
- that it is aware of the commotion in the media about the Monsanto Papers, but that no new scientific data are available
- that it, reserves, at any time, the right to change this advice when new information and data become available after the publication of this version.

#### Members of the Scientific Committee

The members are:

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#### **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

No member has declared any conflict of interest.

### **ADOPTION OF THE EXPLANATORY TEXT**

The explanatory text was adopted by consensus by written procedure on 19/5/2017.

#### **LEGAL FRAMEWORK**

Cooperation agreement of 17 October 2011 between the Federal State, the Flemish Region, the Walloon Region and the Brussels Capital Region concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH)

Ministerial decree of 8 July 2014 appointing the members of the Scientific Committee REACH established under Article 3, § 3 of the Cooperation Agreement of 17 October 2011 between the Federal State, the Flemish Region, the Walloon Region and the Brussels Capital Region concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and restriction of Chemicals (REACH)

Ministerial decree of 2 June 2016 on dismissal and appointment of members of the Scientific Committee REACH

Ministerial decree of 5 October 2016 on appointment of members of the Scientific Committee REACH

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