

## POINTS TO CONSIDER

A series designed to correct mischaracterizations in selected publications regarding crops and foods improved through biotechnology

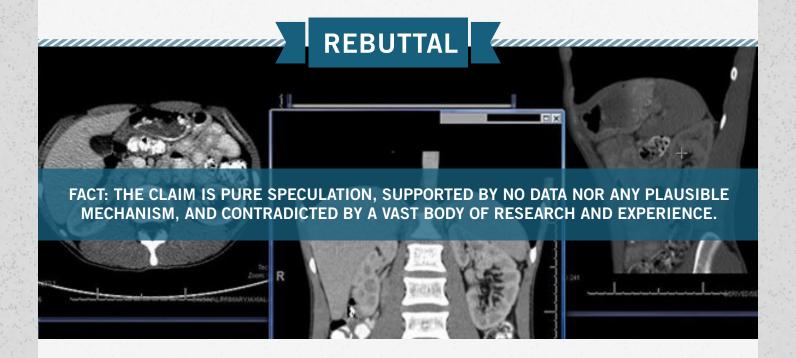
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## **INACCURATE CLAIMS MADE:**

Glyphosate is suspected of causing kidney disease in agricultural workers in Sri Lanka & Central America.

Source: Glyphosate, Hard Water and Nephrotoxic Metals: Are They the Culprits Behind the Epidemic of Chronic Kidney Disease of Unknown Etiology in Sri Lanka? By Channa Jayasumana, Sarath Gunatilake, and Priyantha Senanayake. Int. J. Environ. Res. Public Health 2014, 11(2), 2125-2147



- > The claims are made without the benefit of any supporting data, with no credible hypothesis and no plausible causal mechanism.
- ➤ The claims are inconsistent with the history and distribution of chronic kidney disease of unknown origin.
- The claims are inconsistent with patterns and frequency of glyphosate use/exposure.
- ➤ The claims are inconsistent with vast experience demonstrating the safety of glyphosate.

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