

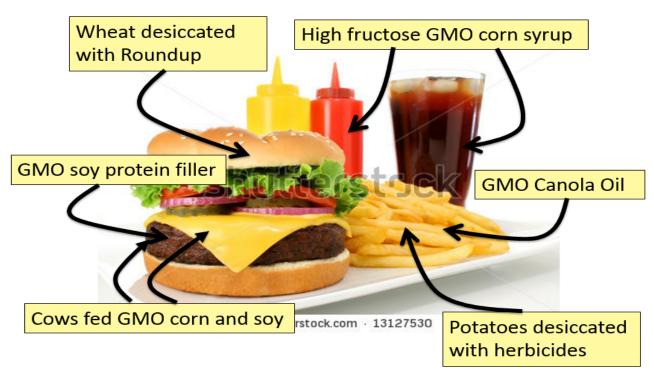
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### Is Glyphosate in Our Food?

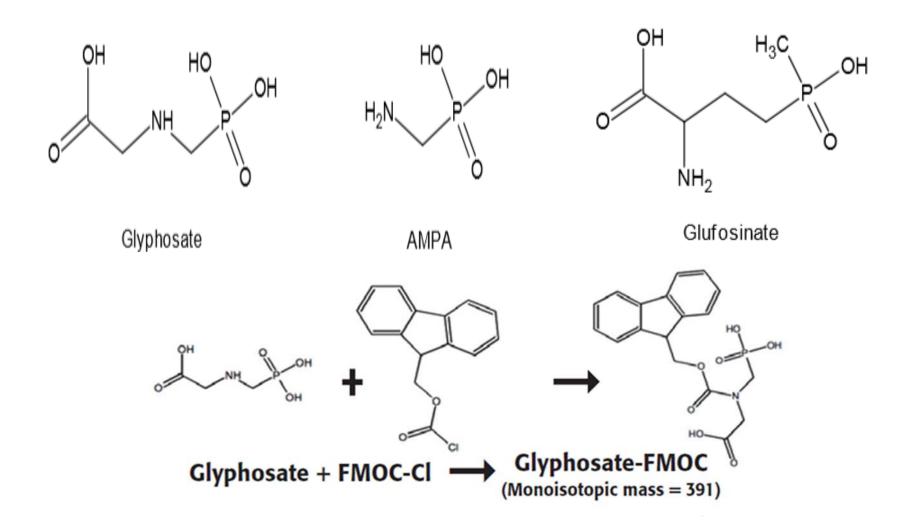




AMPA

$$\begin{array}{c|c} OH & H_3C \\ \hline \\ NH_2 & \end{array}$$

Glufosinate



FMOC-Cl = Fluorenylmethyloxycarbonyl chloride



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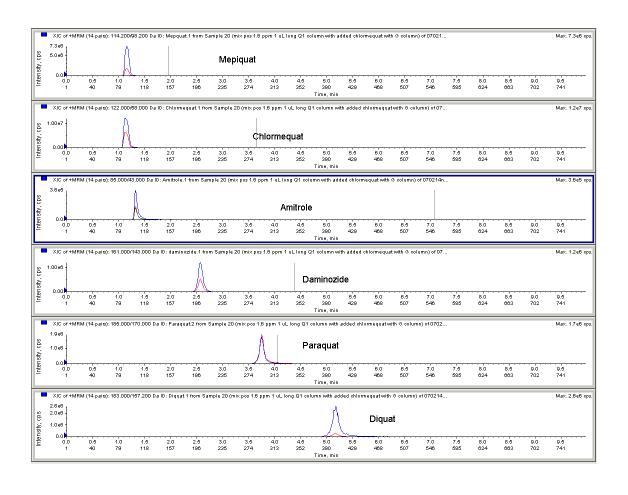
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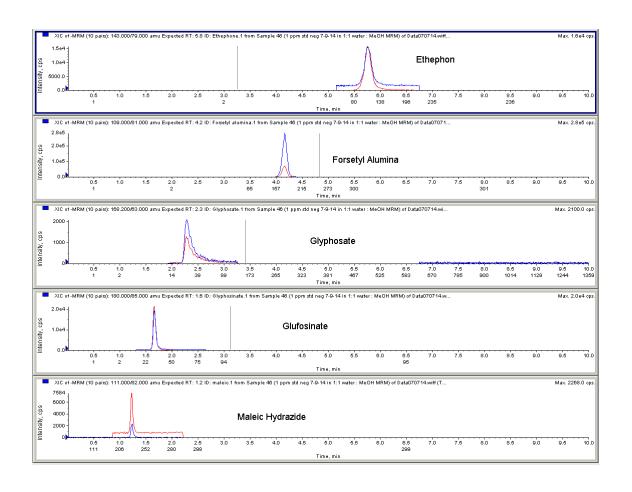
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	M 1.1	M 1.2	M 1.3	M 2	M 3	M 4
	Anion Exchange (AS-11)	Anion Exchange (AS11-HC)	Carbon (Hypercarb)	Normal Phase (Obe- lisc-R)	Normal Phase (Obelisc-R)	Normal Phase (Obelisc-R)
Ethephon	✓	✓	✓			
HEPA	✓	✓	✓			
Glufosinate	✓	✓	✓			
N-Acetyl-Glufosinate	✓	✓	✓			
MPPA	✓	✓	✓			
Glyphosate	✓	✓	✓			
AMPA	✓	✓	✓			
Phosphonic acid	✓	✓	✓			
N-Acetyl-AMPA		✓	✓			
Fosetyl-Al		✓	✓	✓		
Maleic hydazide			✓	✓		
Perchlorate			✓	✓		
Chlorate			✓			
Amitrole					✓	
ETU					✓	
PTU					✓	
Cyromazin					✓	✓
Trimesium					✓	✓
Daminozide					✓	✓
Chlormequat					✓	✓
Mepiquat					✓	✓
Difenzoquat					✓	✓
Diquat						✓
Paraquat						✓

### Polar analyte by LC/MS in a positive mode



### Polar analyte by LC/MS in a negative mode



## Glyphosate method in milk



### Sample extraction procedure

- 1 Pipette 1 g milk into a 15-mL tube
- 2 Add 3 mL Extracting solvent (50 mM acetic acid/10 mM Na<sub>2</sub>EDTA)
- 3 Shake 10 min (2000 stroke/min) on a Geno grinder and centrifuge at 3000 rpm for 5 min
- 4 Passing 2 mL of the top layer through a 60 mg/3 mL Oasis HLB (no conditioned needed)
- 5 Mix the sample with IS and inject to LC/MS

### **HPLC** condition:

Column - Trinity Acclaim Q1 (100 x 3 mm, 3 um), with a C18 SecurityGuard (4 x 3 mm), 10 uL

Mobile phase: 50 mM ammonium formate (pH 2.9) at 0.5 mL/min, 35 C, 6 min,

MS condition: AB Sciex 5500 (Q-Trap), Ion-spray neg-mode, source temp 350 C,

Analyte	Precursor Ion (m/z)	Product Ion (m/z)	DP	CE	EP	CXP	Retention Time (min)
AMPA.1	110	63	-60	-24	-10	-10	1.1
AMPA.2	110	79	-60	-26	-10	-10	1.1
AMPA 13C15N (IS)	112	63	-60	-24	-10	-10	1.1
Glufosinate.1	180	95	-46	-23	-10	-10	1.65
Glufosinate.2	180	85	-46	-26	-10	-10	1.65
Glufosinate D3 (IS)	183	63	-46	-26	-10	-10	1.65
Glyphosate.1	168.2	63	-110	-30	-10	-10	2.05
Glyphosate.2	168.2	79	-110	-55	-10	-10	2.05
Glyphosate 13C215N (IS)	171	63	-110	-30	-10	-10	2.05



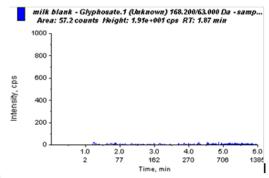
### Results

	Fortification		Matrix	Matrix	Solvent	Solvent
	level		with IS	without IS	with IS	without IS
	2 · · · ·		0.4	0.7	0.	100
Glyphosate	25 ng/mL	Recovery (%)	81	85	85	123
	100 / -	RSD (%)	8.36	9.94	7.62	7.3
	100 ng/mL	Recovery (%)	107	110	111	106
		RSD (%)	2.78	2.76	2.19	3.25
	500 ng/mL	Recovery (%)	93	99	100	98
		RSD (%)	2.04	2.41	2.05	2.37
	2000 ng/mL	Recovery (%)	91	97	99	97
		RSD (%)	3.36	3.15	4.54	3.16
Glufosinate	25 ng/mL	Recovery (%)	86	89	90	123
		RSD (%)	5.43	6.83	7.66	8
	100 ng/mL	Recovery (%)	106	106	105	96
		RSD (%)	3.62	3.62	4	4.94
	500 ng/mL	Recovery (%)	94	101	96	93
		RSD (%)	6.01	1.64	6.16	1.52
	2000 ng/mL	Recovery (%)	94	99	97	92
		RSD (%)	7.07	1.31	7.04	1.38
AMPA	25 ng/mL	Recovery (%)	83	89	84	43
	_	RSD (%)	2.73	5.12	3.86	2.35
	100 ng/mL	Recovery (%)	104	115	106	28
	٥	RSD (%)	6.65	2.98	7.06	3.28
	500 ng/mL	Recovery (%)	90	113	97	17
	C	RSD (%)	4.35	2.53	5.44	2.67
	2000 ng/mL	Recovery (%)	93	113	100	15
		RSD (%)	5.17	2.26	6.06	2.62

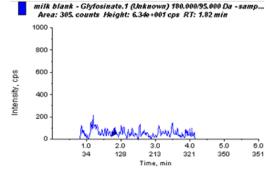


#### Milk blank

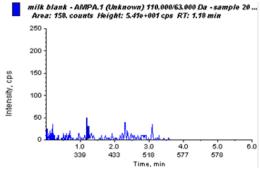
#### Glyphosate channel



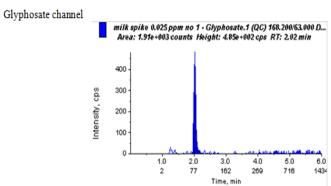
#### Glufosinate channel



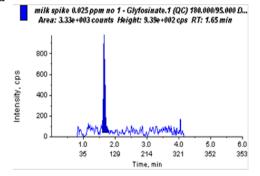
#### AMPA channel



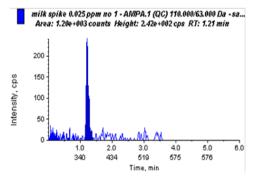
#### Milk blank fortified at 25 ng/g of glyphosate, glufosinate and AMPA







AMPA channel



### Glyphosate method in soybean/corn

- 1 Glyphosate was the most applied chemical in world (180-185 million lbs. in US during 2007)
- 2 The use of glyphosate has increased significantly with roundup soybean and corn
- 3 Has high tolerance (20 ppm for soybean and 10 ppm corn)
- 4 No method available for regulatory action.

  GAO audit in 2014, so FDA must screen it for public safety.

### Sample extraction procedure

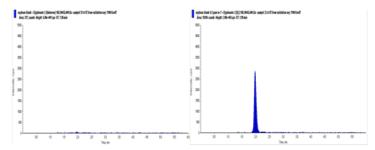
### Soybean/Corn method

- 1 2 g sample in a 50-mL tube + 10 mL extracting solvent
- 2 Shake for 10 min and centrifuge for 5 min
- 3 Pass 2 mL to a 60 mg/3 mL Oasis HLB SPE
- 4 Mix the extract with IS and inject to LC/MS

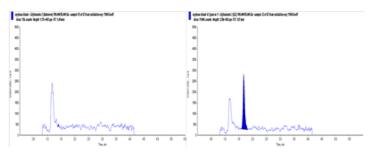


Chromatogram of soybean blank (left) and soybean blank fortified at 0.1  $\mu g/g$  of glyphosate, glufosinate and AMPA (right)

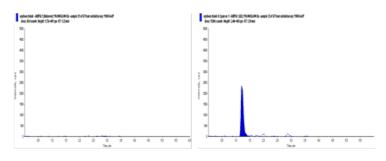
#### Glyphosate channel



#### Glufosinate channel

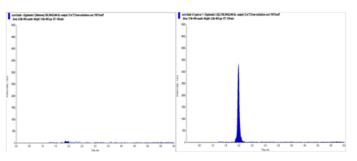


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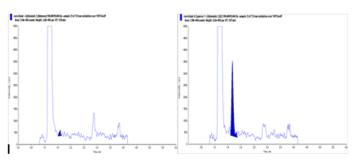


Chromatogram of corn blank (left) and corn blank fortified at 0.1  $\mu g/g$  of glyphosate, glufosinate and AMPA (right)

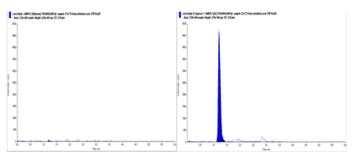
#### Glyphosate channel



#### Glufosinate channel



#### AMPA channel





### Soybean

soybean (n = 7)

		_		Calibratio	on method	
Analyte	Fortification level (µg/g)		Matrix with IS	Matrix no IS	Solvent with IS	Solvent no IS
Glyphosate	0.1	Recovery (%)	103	101	102	97
-J <b>F</b>		RSD (%)	4.26	4.72	3.34	4.66
	0.5	Recovery (%)	102	100	101	96
		RSD (%)	3.98	2.96	3.51	3
	2	Recovery (%)	102	103	100	98
		RSD (%)	2.43	3.07	2.36	3
Glufosinate	0.1	Recovery (%)	102	95	101	76
		RSD (%)	4.28	5.2	4.13	4.86
	0.5	Recovery (%)	102	100	98	75
		RSD (%)	3.95	1.6	3.83	1.69
	2	Recovery (%)	98	104	94	76
		RSD (%)	2.99	3.85	3.07	3.75
AMPA	0.1	Recovery (%)	101	57	106	NA
		RSD (%)	6.3	28.83	4.53	NA
	0.5	Recovery (%)	108	78	107	NA
		RSD (%)	6.35	5.76	4.36	NA
	2	Recovery (%)	105	80	108	2
		RSD (%)	7.59	11.21	5.85	63.53



### Corn

Corn (n = 7)

				Calibratio	on method	
Analyte	Fortification level (ug/g)		Matrix with IS	Matrix no IS	Solvent with IS	Solvent no IS
Glyphosate	0.1	Recovery (%)	100	89	104	105
		RSD (%)	4.8	6.3	3.6	5.4
	0.5	Recovery (%)	104	96	104	99
		RSD (%)	42	4.0	4.2	3.9
	2	Recovery (%)	107	97	106	98
		RSD (%)	3.8	2.7	3.8	2.8
Glyfosinate	0.1	Recovery (%)	92	96	99	97
		RSD (%)	8.6	9.9	4.8	9.1
	0.5	Recovery (%)	103	99	107	94
		RSD (%)	3.9	3.7	3.7	3.6
	2	Recovery (%)	103	99	101	92
		RSD (%)	5.3	3.4	5.3	3.3
AMPA	0.1	Recovery (%)	96	NA	113	NA
		RSD (%)	11.9	NA	6.5	NA
	0.5	Recovery (%)	103	8.2	111	NA
		RSD (%)	8.3	48.6	7.8	NA
	2	Recovery (%)	105	52	110	104
		RSD (%)	6.9	5.8	6.9	9.3

### Sample extraction procedure

### Egg method

- 1 2 g sample in a 50-mL tube + 8.5 mL solvent and 6 mL methylene chloride
- 2 Shake 10 min and centrifuge for 5 min
- 3 Pass 2-3 thru a Whatman 0.2 µm GD/X Nylon filter into a 60 mg/3 mL Oasis HLB SPE
- 4 Mix the extract with IS and inject to LC/MS



## Issue in egg sample

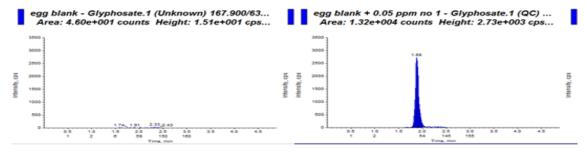




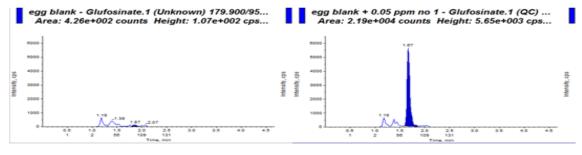


### Chromatogram of egg blank (left) and egg blank fortified at $0.05~\mu\text{g/g}$ of AMPA, glufosinate, and glyphosate

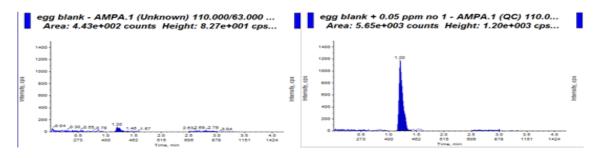
#### Glyphosate channel



#### Glufosinate channel



#### AMPA channel





### Egg

Analyte	Fortification level (µg/g)	Recovery (%)	RSD (%)
	0.07	o= 1	
AMPA	0.05	97.4	6.1
	0.1	92.7	4.9
	0.5	93.7	2.9
	1	94.1	2.5
Glufosinate	0.05	88.2	1.5
	0.1	88.9	2.6
	0.5	89.5	1.9
	1	91.9	3.4
Glyphosate	0.05	92.3	4.1
	0.1	89.5	2.5
	0.5	90.9	2.7
	1	89.0	2.8

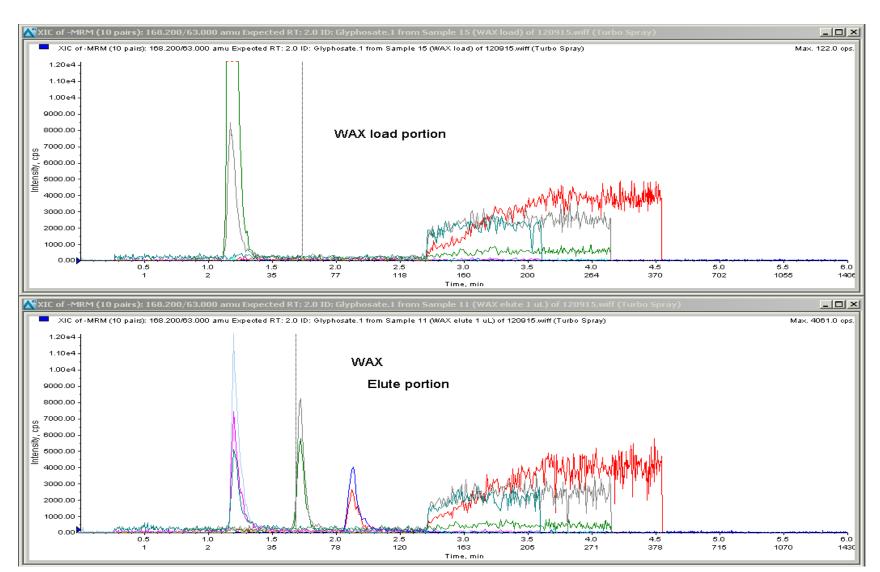




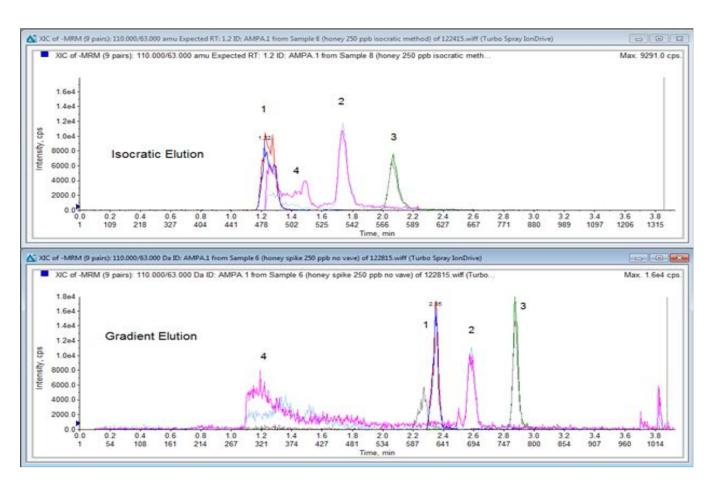
Of the sixty-nine honey samples analyzed, forty-one samples, or fifty-nine percent (59%), had glyphosate concentrations above the method LOQ (15 ppb), with a concentration range between 17 and 163 ppb and a mean of 64 ppb.

Even more surprisingly five of the eleven organic honey samples, or forty-five percent (45%), contained glyphosate concentrations above the method LOQ, with a range of 26 to 93 ppb and a mean of 50 ppb.

### WAX cleanup procedure



### Isocratic vs. Gradient elution



1 = AMPA, 2 = Glufosinate, 3 = Glyphosate, 4 = honey matrix



Analyte	Fortification	Recovery	RSD	LOD	LOQ	Linearity
	level (ng/g)	(%)	(%)	ng/g	ng/g	R square
Honey A, honey	from Ivory Coast, (n = 4)					
Glyphosate	25	92	7.0	5	16	0.9997
	50	102	2.1			
	100	92	2.6			
	500	96	2.8			
Glufosinate	25	107	6.3	5	17	0.9991
	50	107	5.3			
	100	91	3.0			
	500	98	2.7			
AMPA	25	106	1.6	1	4	0.9998
	50	104	3.0			
	100	90	3.4			
	500	103	3.1			
Honey B (a), organ	nic honey. (n=7)					
Glyphosate	25	90	12.1	8	26	0.9981
31	50	93	4.6			
	100	87	8.0			
	500	102	8.1			
Glufosinate	25	107	6.8	5	18	0.9990
	50	94	5.9			
	100	90	8.2			
	500	101	7.3			
AMPA	25	111	5.6	5	16	0.9994
	50	103	3.5			
	100	93	6.7			
	500	103	3.5			

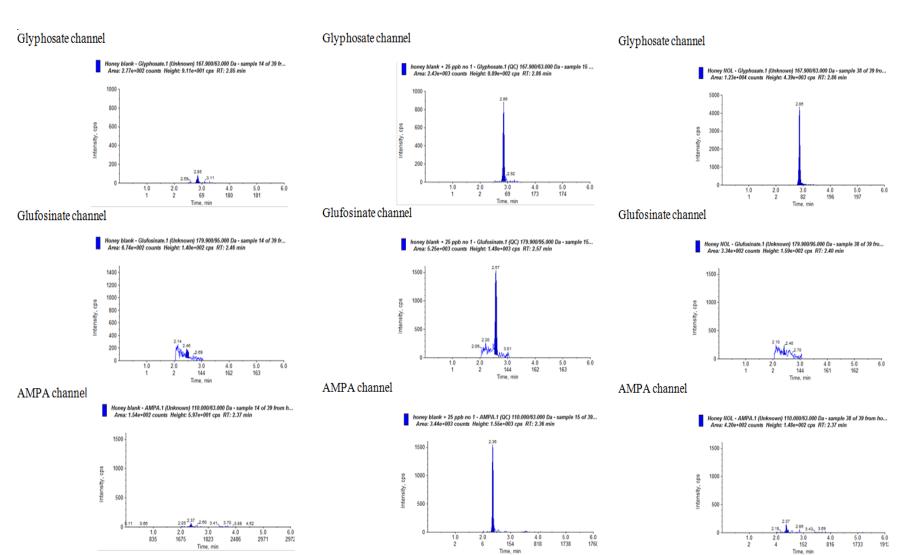
a) Honey B contains 10 ng/g glyphosate



### Honey blank

### Honey blank + 25 ng/g

### Honey containing 121 ng/g Glyphosate





### Glyphosate found in honey samples collected from the local market

Sample	glyphosate found (ng/g) <sup>a</sup>	Source
wild flower honey	trace	GA, USA
organic honey	17	Brazil
	trace	FL, USA
orange blossom honey	26	•
clover honey		GA, USA
orange blossom honey	21	USA
clover honey	40	USA
clover honey	trace	Canada
wild flower honey/miel	46	Canada
Bonne Maman honey	trace	unknown
Manuka Honey	trace	New Zealand
honey	trace	France
Billy bee honey	19	Canada
honey	trace	Ivory Coast
honey blend with fructose/flavor	trace	Taiwan
local honey	trace	GA, USA
organic honey	trace	TX, USA
honey from FL	24	FL, USA
honey from LA	121	LA, USA
honey from IA	35	IA, USA

trace = amount found less than 16 ng/g (estimated LOQ)

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## And I found these.

	glyphosate	АМРА
	ppm	ppm
Apple Cinnamon instant oat meal	0.01	0.01
Maple Brown Sugar instant oat meal	1.24	0.07
Cinnamon Spice instant oat meal	1.67	0.07
Peach and Cream instant oat meal	0.36	0.01
soy milk	0.00	0.00
Q steel cut oats (not instant)	1.53	0.07
Infant oat cereal	1.56	0.07
Infant oat banana	0.30	0.04
Infant oatmeal banana strawberry	0.83	0.08
Whole grain oat cereal	0.03	0.01
organic oats Bob' Red mill	ND	ND
organic oats 365 Whole Foods	ND	ND
organic oats Sprout	ND	ND
organic oats Nature Path	ND	ND
NC's cereal with oats and wheat	0.20	ND



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Direct Determination of 2,4-dichlorophenoxyacetic acid in Soybean and Corn by Liquid chromatography/tandem mass spectrometry

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Combine glyphosate method into one to include high moisture samples (fruit-vegetable) by mixing sample with solvent-methylene chloride / Oasis HLB and use step gradient.

Direct determination of Paraquat/Diquat in potatoes by LC/MS

