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General Comment

Regarding EPA-HQ-OPP-2016-0385
I am a pediatrician of 35 years. Of the past 15 years, I have seen a precipitous drop in the health of children. I have studied their gut immune responses as well and their intestinal microbiome and what I learned was shocking. I have found extremely high levels of antibodies to foods, intestinal permeability and abnormal T and B cell function. Their microbial diversity of their guts is low and overabundance of potential pathogens In addition, there is early evidence of autoimmune markers which a decade ago was rarely found. When I removed glyphosate from their diets, many of their symptoms and findings resolved. Therefore, I was able to surmise that the abnormal findings are linked to glyphosate and its' associated adjuvants. I have found glyphosate to act as an antibiotic and a chelator. In particular, I have found extremely low levels of magnesium and zinc as well as other minerals. This significantly impairs neurocognitive development/function. Both of those minerals are involved in over 200 chemical reactions in the brain alone. Simple corrections of these nutrient issues had significant improvement on school performance (focus), mood lability and sleep. Glyphosate approval needs to be put on hold. I have studied and clinically treated children for the past decade and without a doubt, ill health is directly correlated to the ever-increasing application of its usage.