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MUTINY ON BAYER’S HORIZON? Bayer is expected to face a mutiny from its shareholders at its annual general meeting Friday due to the number of U.S. lawsuits it faces over a glyphosate-based weedkiller it became liable for when it took over Monsanto, according to [Reuters](#) and German broadcaster [N-TV](#). Reuters reported that fund manager BlackRock, Bayer’s biggest shareholder, won’t support the company’s management in a largely symbolic vote of confidence on the management’s recent decisions. BlackRock owns 7.2 percent of voting rights.

Liabe, liable: Bayer became liable for claims that glyphosate, the active ingredient in Monsanto’s weedkiller Roundup, causes cancer when the German pharma giant purchased Monsanto in 2018. Bayer has already lost cases in U.S. courts and there are currently over 11,000 claimants pursuing legal action over glyphosate in the U.S. alone. Bayer’s value has decreased by €30 billion since August 2018 after it was found liable for Monsanto’s failure to warn of the alleged cancer risks of glyphosate.

SPITZENKANDIDATEN UNITE AGAINST GLYPHOSATE: Leading candidates for the European Commission’s top job agree on one thing: The EU should eventually ban glyphosate. Manfred Weber, from the European People’s Party, Liberal Margrethe Vestager and Socialist Frans Timmermans all said as much in a series of 20-minute interviews by [POLITICO’s Ryan Heath](#) and Arte Journal’s Nazan Gökdemir. Watch them all [here](#).

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