A Banned Pesticide

Chlordane in your Garden?

by Charlotte Gerson

Chlordane, developed after bugs developed a resistance to DDT, is composed of over 50 different chemicals. It mimics estrogen and was banned in the U.S. over 50 years ago. But the ban specifies for the manufacturer: stop producing it or export it. It continued to be produced and exported to Mexico where it was sprayed on food crops exported back to the U.S.

According to the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, almost every human on earth has chlordane in their fat and there is no way to get it out. Losing weight simply concentrates the poisons in the remaining fat.

The worst problem is that before it was banned, millions of tons of chlordane were put into the ground around house foundations to kill termites. The half life of chlordane in the soil is 22 years (so it takes about 40 years to degrade). That means that if you plant a vegetable garden next to your house without using spray or pesticides, you might end up with a dose of chlordane on your dinner plate.

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Lawrence Kirk:

Twelve Year Recovery from Pancreatic Cancer

by Charlotte Gerson

Long-term subscribers to our Healing Newsletter will remember the story of Lawrence Kirk, published in Vol. 19, #1, Jan/Feb 2004.

Lawrence was born on the now fateful date of Sept. 11, but in the year 1938. He is currently 68 years old.

In 1993, during a regular annual check-up, the doctor felt “something” in Lawrence’s abdomen. They were unable to get a good picture at that time. However, by summer of 1994 he had lost 24 pounds and a lot of energy. An early diagnosis and drugs did not settle his problem, and only in November of 1994 a mass on his pancreas was seen on a CT scan. The doctor explained to Lawrence that he had pancreatic cancer and that neither surgery nor radiation would work. With an additional discouraging report, the patient’s wife, Ruth, looked for “a better way” to deal with the situation. They found the Gerson Therapy and, after talking to a recovered patient, they decided to come to the Mexican Gerson Clinic.

After 20 months on the Gerson Therapy, a new CT scan showed no tumors. The doctor and nurse examining Lawrence and checking his records were amazed that, though he had received no surgery, radiation or chemotherapy, he appeared clear of cancer. After five and a half years on the Therapy, another CT scan showed ‘clear’. However, a few months later, Lawrence injured his back, crushed a vertebra which caused severe sleep disturbance since he was unable to turn without waking up from the pain. The doctor assumed that he had pain from “recurring cancer”, but the MRI scan was clear; only a later body scan showed the fracture to T11. With the ongoing Therapy, the vertebra healed.

Now, 12 years after his diagnosis, Lawrence is doing very well, helps his wife part-time in her book business, does some gardening, and looks after his aging mother. He continues taking five juices daily, one coffee enema every day and eating almost exclusively organic Gerson food. He and his wife visit restaurants very rarely and he wants to stay close to the Therapy because “I feel good.”

Lawrence told us he feels that “it is important to keep in touch with Gerson doctors after a patient recovers.”

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