

# Mobile phone radiation considered "possibly carcinogenic" by the WHO.

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The International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC), an organism controlled by the World Health Organization (WHO), declared on May 31st that the electromagnetic fields resulting from radio-frequencies, including mostly those from mobile communications, "could be carcinogenic for man".

There is no doubt that this official statement by WHO will be an "upheaval" not only for all the governmental health authorities and mobile telephone companies, but also for the majority of the users, who most certainly did not expect such an announcement.

From the 24<sup>th</sup> to the 31<sup>th</sup> of May, 2011, a task group gathering 31 scientists from 13 countries (8 of which are American), governmental health agencies representatives, and observers (paradoxically, industrials and mobile telephone companies!) got together at the IARC's headquarters in Lyon, France.

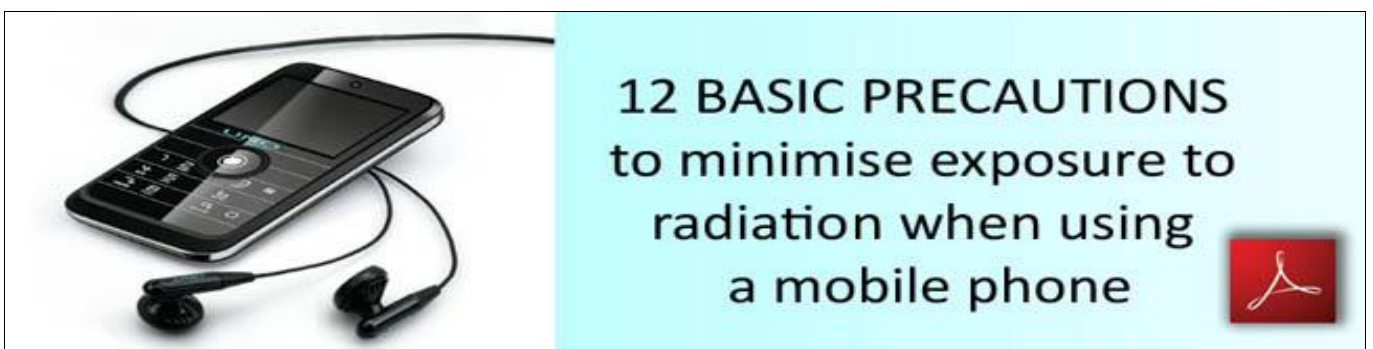
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Their purpose was to evaluate all the worldwide epidemiological studies available, in order to determine whether exposure (irradiation) to BF and HF microwave artificial electromagnetic fields from mobile communications is posing a potentially carcinogenic risk.

The findings of the task group are the same as the majority of the monographs and scientific studies, including the IARC international study, Interphone [\[Interphone, all the results\]](#), that showed there was a sharp increase in tumor risk, notably acoustic neuroma and cancerous tumors called gliomas, which apparently show a increased risk of about 40% among people **using or having used a mobile phone for 30 minutes a day during 10 years.**

Doctor Jonathan Samet from the University of Southern California, who was chairing the meeting, said as a synthesis: **"scientific data brought together to this day allow us to conclude that exposure could be carcinogenic for man"**. Consequently, the WHO now considers mobile phones microwave artificial electromagnetic fields as a Group 2B (out of 5) carcinogenic agent.

IARC director Christopher Wild declared: *"it's important that complementary research be led on the intensive long-term use of mobile phones. Until that kind of information is available, it's important to take pragmatic measures in order to reduce the radiation exposure."*



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For the independent scientists and associations that have been denouncing the deleterious effects of HF microwave artificial irradiation on health for years, the findings of the WHO's IARC do not come as a surprise. Nonetheless, for a considerable part of the population, and in particular young people, they are coming much too late.

The [BioInitiative](#) scientific consortium made a review of over 1500 studies and its report is adamant: most of the existing limits on this form of artificial microwave irradiation are 1000 to 4000 times too lenient to protect people against unfavorable health effects, such as: Alzheimer disease and other neurodegenerative diseases, reproduction and memory problems, sleep and learning disorders, diminished cell reparation capacities, interferences with the immune system, cancers and Electro Hyper Sensibility.

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