

The Great GMO Cover-up #1

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(note: each * is a reference detailed at <http://responsibletechnology.org/references-part-1/>)

FDA scientists' health warnings about GMOs have proven true and we are suffering as a result.

The Entire GMO Approval Process is based on Deception

According to extensive FDA memos made public through a lawsuit,* the overwhelming consensus of the agency's own scientists was that genetically engineered foods pose abnormal and unique risks including new toxins, allergens and nutritional problems. The scientists called for rigorous safety tests to protect our health. Tragically, a political appointee at the FDA covered up the warnings and allowed genetically modified organisms (GMOs) on the market without requiring any testing.* That official in charge of GMO policy was formerly an attorney representing the GMO giant, Monsanto. He later became Monsanto's Vice President and is now back at the FDA as the "US Food Czar."

GMO Food is Soaked with Poison

Over 90% of US GMOs are engineered to withstand being sprayed with Monsanto's glyphosate-based herbicide, Roundup. Glyphosate and glyphosate herbicides are classified by the World Health Organization as "probable" human carcinogens.* Glyphosate is a powerful synthetic antibiotic and blocks mineral absorption.* Glyphosate herbicides are endocrine disruptors* and mitochondrial toxins,[6] and have been linked to birth defects.*

Industry Uses "Tobacco Science" to Hide Evidence

Monsanto and others have been caught designing their research on GMOs and Roundup to hide problems, and they distort or deny adverse findings when they do arise. In truth, numerous animal feeding studies show evidence of harm, including cancer, organ damage, accelerated signs of aging, immune system problems, hormone imbalance, reproductive and developmental problems, and premature death.*

"The results of most studies with GM foods indicate that they may cause some common toxic effects such as hepatic, pancreatic, renal, or reproductive effects..."*

– Artemis Dona, Dept of Forensic Medicine and Toxicology, University of Athens Medical School, Greece, and Ioannis S. Arvanitoyannis, University of Thessaly School of Agricultural Sciences, Greece

Thousands of Physicians say No to GMOs

Although the industry claims that no humans have been hurt by consuming GMOs, there has been no scientific monitoring of human health reactions. Furthermore, thousands of healthcare practitioners advise their patients to stop eating GMOs, and many report that doing so has resulted in significant improvements in digestive disorders, obesity, diabetes, allergies, kidney

disease, infertility, fatigue, chronic pain, inflammation, and autism.*

“Over half of American children now have a chronic health disorder and this number is likely to rise. Intestinal dysfunction is evident in nearly all patients seen in my clinic. A significant number of them get better simply by switching to an organic diet. It’s that simple.”*

– Michelle Perro, MD, Pediatrician

Experts Reject GMOs as Solution to World Hunger

We are continually told that we need genetically engineered crops to feed the world, but experts dismiss this as public relations fiction. The IAASTD Report, the most comprehensive report on the future of food and agriculture (sponsored by the World Bank and the UN, written by over 400 scientists and endorsed by 59 countries), did not endorse GMOs as a solution to world hunger.* In fact, genetic engineering has not significantly increased U.S. crop yields, according to the USDA and controlled comparative studies. Some GMOs have lower yields than non-GMO crops.*

High-Risk GMOs Should Not Be In Our Food or Fields

Once you examine the scientific references, read reports from doctors, learn how corporations spin and suppress findings, and look at the repeated warnings by FDA scientists (all found at <http://www.ResponsibleTechnology.org/references>), you will likely conclude that these high-risk foods should never have been introduced. While rising disease rates alone don’t prove causation, when you examine the published charts of more than 20 disorders skyrocketing in parallel with the introduction and increased use of GMOs and glyphosate, the potential magnitude of what these products may be doing to us begins to dawn.* And when you realize that contamination of the gene pool is irreversible and that the biotech industry is preparing to introduce GMO versions of virtually all commercial seeds, as well as livestock, fish, trees, grass, flowers, and pets, you will then understand that our generation faces a pivotal decision that affects the future of all living beings on this planet.

Are we ready to replace nature with a Monsanto version? Are we OK with permanently altering our ecosystem and food supply using a technology whose most consistent feature is surprise side-effects?*

Put genetic engineering back into the lab. Before it is used in our food or released outdoors, we must at least have comprehensive independent safety studies and a thorough investigation into the scientific fraud and deception that have been perpetrated on the American public and our elected officials.