

# The Wonders of GM Food

## (Genetically Manipulated Food)

Why do TV Channels refuse to screen 'The World According to Monsanto' & 'Food, Inc'?

**MONSANTO are convicted LIARS – Why force allergies onto our kids with Monsanto's dangerous GM-FOOD?**

The pro-GM lobby tell us that we need to genetically manipulate food to feed the world, suggesting that there are many benefits with GM. The benefits from GM are only for giant chemical corporations like Monsanto, Bayer-CropScience, Cargill, Syngenta, Dow Chemicals and others, and the egos of a handful of biotech scientists who are in denial. GM is not about feeding the world. Those scoffing at concerns over GM please consider that everywhere GM has entered the food supply allergies have gone through the roof. Read: **Genetic Roulette** by Jeffrey M. Smith & **CORRUPT to the CORE** by Dr Chopra.

**Reflect on the following:** Many countries have rejected GM but none have ever rejected GM-Free.

1. As has been demonstrated in the US and Canada, the use of chemicals supplied by **Monsanto** has actually increased since the introduction of GM.

*Google - **Benbrook** and also the **Union of Concerned Scientists** for the evidence of the increasing use of chemicals in Canada and the US since the introduction of GM.*

*See how **GM crops increase the use of pesticides**, but increasingly give a lower yield.*

2. US Farmers in 2009 planted one million acres of non-GM soy because of lower yields and higher chemical use with GM. Google Benbrook for more info.

*Ask Canadian and US **farmers** about GM crop yields; don't ask Monsanto's **stooges**.*

3. US and Canadian Farmers say that GM seeds now cost 3 to 5 times more than normal seeds but as farms are now so contaminated with GM pollen, it is difficult to go back to normal seeds. So, who is feeding us the lies about GM?

*Ask Canadian and US **farmers** about GM seeds and contamination; **don't ask Monsanto**.*

4. As any honest scientist or agronomist will tell you, GM has not shown any answers to drought, whereas selective breeding still does and always will; but only if we stop narrowing our broadly-based gene pools with GM contamination.

5. Farmers at the National Farmers Union of Canada have said that, as was predicted, because of **the laws of basic biology**, weeds such as wild mustard and others are now becoming resistant to the weedkiller Roundup. Crop rotation is difficult with Monsanto's 'Roundup Ready Canola' because GM canola becomes a weed, which the Roundup will not kill. Monsanto has told Canadian farmers they don't have to worry as they now have a stronger chemical to use with their Roundup. Remember that it is only a decade down the track since the introduction of Monsanto's GM contamination into the Americas.

Speak to those at - **The National Farmers Union of Canada** [www.nfu.ca](http://www.nfu.ca) as i did.

6. US and Canadian farmers are now being taken to court by Monsanto as their crops get contaminated by GM pollen which carries Monsanto's **patented DNA**. This is happening to many farmers in the Americas today. A scandal? Let's not pretend that such a hideous situation could not happen in Australia. Some idiot politicians in Australia have said that it is the farmers' responsibility to keep the GM pollen off their farm. Contamination and patents is what GM is all about.

7. Over a decade ago in the US, allergies in children began to rise. Finally some '**switched on doctors**' noticed that the only change in the junk-food diet of the US was that GM: soy, corn syrup, canola oil and Bt-cottonseed oil, had been added to the nation's food. GM produces novel proteins that often cause allergies; especially in children.

There are serious warnings from US doctors about GM foods so why is our government silent about something so important – go to <http://www.aaemonline.org/gmopost.html>  
Books and films with dire warnings about GM: **Genetic Roulette & Seeds of Deception** by Jeffrey M. Smith and **Corrupt to the Core** by Dr Chopra & **The Omnivores Dilemma** by Michael Pollan. Two films to see '**The World According to Monsanto**' & '**Food, Inc.**

About a decade ago **GM corn syrup** and **soy emulsifiers** from the US were sold (**unlabelled**) in Australia. GM product from the US is now added to many foods in Australia with no labelling. With GM oils and emulsifiers now in so many different foods, try to find one label that tells us: **This Food Contains GMO**. GMO means: Genetically Manipulated Organism; GMO means the same as GM.

In 1995 the **CSIRO** (under the good guidance of **T. J. Higgins**) began a project to produce a GM pea. In 2006 the project was abandoned because they found that when mice were fed GM peas, they developed various allergies, including a type of asthma. The control group of mice showed no such symptoms. It was also discovered that once mice had eaten GM peas they developed allergies to foods that were **not** GM. This last finding is serious - since GM food has entered our diet, children's allergies to many non-GM foods have been on the increase.

Ref: First 3 paragraphs on P. 57 of Genetic Roulette - Ask about **peanuts** in Pre-schools.

Evidence says that wherever GM food is eaten, allergic reactions like asthma and anaphylactic shock are on the rise. Many allergies are a reaction to foods that are **not** GM – remember what happened to mice after they ate GM peas? The CSIRO's discovery about GM is very serious so why have they gone silent?

The CSIRO did not release their GM peas, however, even with such a serious discovery, CSIRO is now very **pro** GM, **why?** Even after the peas were boiled for 20 minutes, they had a devastating effect on the mice. So what is going on and why would our **INDEPENDENT** CSIRO receive funding from Monsanto?

Food Standards of Australia and New Zealand (**FSANZ**) do not test for toxicity on Genetically Manipulated Foods; they accept what they are told by Monsanto as does the US equivalent to FSANZ the FDA. FSANZ has just admitted to having secretly given the go-ahead to start contaminating Australia with patented GM corn pollen. See the site by Australian mothers [www.madge.org.au](http://www.madge.org.au)

Our food labelling is a farce. When Monsanto and Dow can afford to tamper with our food they can afford to label it. Not even the GM **GURU** our **Ex-Chief Scientist** Jim Peacock discusses the rise in allergies since GM. Why not Jim?

Two films **Food, Inc** & **The World According to Monsanto** show what FSANZ and some scientists support instead of protecting our children, and doing what they are paid to do.

8. Why the media silence about the **Terminator Technology** that is firmly on the drawing boards of Monsanto and Syngenta? As you may know this technology is designed to send our seeds sterile. Monsanto is reportedly working on the **Traitor Gene** also known as the **Lazarus Gene**, which means that when the crop is ripe, all the seeds will die; but you collect the seeds. Then, when you are ready, you buy a patented hormone from Monsanto and the seeds will come back to life. That way Monsanto will not have to supply seeds to every farmer; they just sell more chemicals! If you know a Politician or a Chief editor, do ask them nicely why they are ignoring that **GM elephant in the room**.

Isn't it strange that this technology was meant to save us from needing chemicals!

Search for **Benbrook/Crop-chemicals-GM. & The Union of Concerned Scientists**.

9. Over a million died in the Irish Potato Famine, precisely because of a narrowly based gene pool. Genetically manipulating our crops is about narrowing gene pools (which is just basic biology). A narrowly based gene pool is like breeding brother and sister together – not healthy. When a gene pool is narrowed, it is a road of no return. When a gene pool for food is narrowed and you control the genes that are left, by way of patented DNA, you control the food supply; but because of the narrowly based gene pool, disaster must eventually strike; it is just basic biology – ask any science teacher. Should we hand the control of our food on a platter, with **NO** public debate, to a Chemical Company?

10. In 1999 the Arthur Anderson Group in the US asked Monsanto what their long-term plans were. Monsanto's response was that they wanted to control the major food crops of the world with patented DNA. Ref, page 1 '**Seeds of Deception**' – Jeffrey M Smith. Once upon a time all food was organic. Why do Monsanto and politicians want to wipe out all (normal) organic food with GM contamination forevermore? With GM they **do** sell more chemicals. Would oil companies make oil-free cars that did not need their fuel? Most politicians know nothing about the serious implications of GM and if they do they should be thoroughly ashamed of themselves. Many scientists are already speaking up but others remain silent because of their jobs and some don't want to **offend** their GM **colleagues**.

**The evidence already exists to prove that GM is not safe to feed to anybody.**

Considering all of these serious questions concerning GM, do you think that Australia should go down the GM road? A road of no return, and blithely hand over the control of our food to a handful of petrochemical companies with spurious reasoning and dodgy credentials. Also, if we go down the path of genetically manipulating our food with the attendant stupidity of patented DNA, we are selfishly narrowing our already **fragile** gene pools that we should be passing on broadly based for our children's future. And also, what irresponsible person would support the patenting of life? We must annul **all** patents on life, regardless of investments. Only an ignoramus would sell off life itself.

Politicians that don't care about protecting our gene pools are like drunkards driving a school bus. Genetically manipulating our food crops is about narrowing our gene pools by design, and **every** scientist knows it. Those scientists who support the narrowing of our gene pools must be exposed; they are irreversibly burning our children's genetic bridges. Contamination is what Monsanto, some scientists and politicians want. One State Premier said in 2008 to - **Start the contamination!** and now some types of food may be irreversibly contaminated. Across North America, Monsanto now sues farmers for all contaminated crops, Monsanto owns the patented DNA so farmers are now found liable for stealing the DNA in the pollen. You can ask the US farmers about it; it's not a secret.

Beware of those who sell the story that they intend to cure this or that disease with GM. GM food has nothing to do with genetically engineering new body parts or whatever, that is a ruse to confuse the issue. Such people don't work for us, they have an agenda of deceit; **they are GM spin-doctors**.

Watch also those politicians that go on "**fact finding missions**" about GM crops to America. They are going on the **Monsanto Guided Tour**. They never speak to the farmers across North America who have been totally devastated by Monsanto; nor do they mention the thousands of farmers in India who have committed suicide because of what Monsanto is still doing to them. One West Australian Premier has already been on the **Monsanto Guided Tour. Corrupt to the Core** - by Dr Chopra, will show you that **Monsanto is a dangerous wolf in sheep's clothing**.

## **GM IS A FAILED TECHNOLOGY – IT DOES NOT PAY BUT IT CONTAMINATES**

No higher yields – Seeds cost more – after 10 years, **ROUNDUP** with **GM** is **FAILING**

**To suggest feeding the world with GM is a no-brainer**

**See what is happening in the US**

**BELOW - THE LATEST ON GM SOY FROM NORTH AMERICA**

### **Non-GMO soybean acreage increased by 1 million in 2009**

US farmers planted one million more acres of non-GMO soybeans in 2009 than 2008, increasing to 6.97 million acres compared to 5.96 million acres the previous year.

Overall, non-GMO soybeans accounted for 9% of a record high 77.5 million acres of soybeans planted this year. In 2008, non-GMO soybeans accounted for 8% of 75.5 million acres of soybeans.

The percentage of farmers growing genetically modified soybeans decreased slightly from 92% in 2008 to 91% in 2009, the first drop in plantings of GM soybeans since 2000.

Higher premiums, lower input costs

Increased plantings of non-GMO soybeans were due to several factors. Farmers are earning higher premiums, ranging from \$1.00 to \$2.75 per bushel to grow non-GMO. In addition, seed costs for GM Roundup Ready soybeans were nearly double that for non-GMO.

“This year, we had farmers buying good traditional (non-GMO) soybean seed for \$17 per bag when Roundup Ready seed was going for \$35 per bag,” says Lynn Clarkson, president, Clarkson Grain, a buyer of non-GMO soybeans. The cost for Roundup herbicide, which is used with Roundup Ready seed, also increased from \$15 to \$50 per gallon.

“A few farmers told me they haven’t grown non-GMO soybeans in seven or eight years but this year they say the economics favor non-GMO,” says Mark Albertson, director of marketing at the Illinois Soybean Association.

GM farmers also face increasing problems with weeds becoming resistant to Roundup, forcing them to use more herbicides to kill the resistant weeds. “The benefit to reduced pesticide cost (with Roundup Ready soybeans) seems to be decreasing due to weeds developing immunity to Roundup,” Clarkson says.

More non-GMO soybeans grown in Ohio

In Ohio, non-GMO soybean acreage increased 6%, the largest increase in any state. “We saw more growers switching to non-GMO production for 2009 planting,” says Joe Hanusik, manager at Harmony Agricultural Products In Ohio (HAPI Ohio), which produces non-GMO soybeans for food.

HAPI Ohio is owned by the Honda Motor Company, based in Japan. Honda ships containers to the US filled with automobile parts, and HAPI Ohio ships them back to Japan filled with non-GMO soybeans. The infield of a Honda test track in Marysville, Ohio, is even planted with non-GMO soybeans.

Hanusik said he contracted with a record number of farmers to plant non-GMO soybeans. “This year we are producing roughly 45,000 acres of non GMO soybeans. Last year we were right around 25,000.” Steve Waddell, a farmer near Columbus, Ohio, switched to non-GMO production because of the higher premiums. Waddell says he will earn a \$2.00 premium for non-GMO soybeans this year.

John Suber, owner of Ebberts Field Seeds in western Ohio, sold out of non-GMO soybean seed early and has doubled non-GMO seed production acreage for next year. “We anticipate that demand will continue to grow,” Suber says.

Jim Beuerlein, an Ohio State University Extension agronomist, echoes that assessment. “There are a number of markets, both stateside and internationally, that want non-GMO varieties and they are willing to pay the premiums for it.”

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