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## CropS/Biol 425: "Crop Biotechnology: Separating Truth from Myth"

Spring 2010 Tues/Thurs 10:35 am to 11:50 am, VPBS 31

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Prof. Michael Neff

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### Stop crop mutation

To further their high-dollar corporate power grip on the seed, Monsanto Corp. now brags that to make herbicides more effective in weed control they are injecting the seed with more potent chemical poisons to genetically make the seed immune to the effects of herbicides sprayed on crops.

Why not just put the poison right into the butter we like to spread on the corn before eating it? Forget groundwater contamination; why don't we just drink herbicides right from the container – or inject the livestock directly to produce fewer weeds upon defecation?

Consumers should wake up and realize that not all science is beneficial to us! More autism and brain disorders are diagnosed yearly in our children – why? Cancer finds its stronghold in all ages with no cure or prevention yet – who profits from this?

Genetically altered seed produces beautiful specimens, except for the mutations you'll never see at your grocer's counter. What you don't see can still hurt you. Picture grotesque mutant humans born – we are what we eat.

In caring about your family, you should think: how much does corporate greed (a collective conscience) care about the welfare of you and your family, including your pets?

- **Learn** how transgenic plants are made!
- **Discuss** the perceived benefits and risks of genetically modified crops!
- **Explore** alternate approaches for using modern genetic information in crop breeding!
- **Develop** the skills to express your opinion on these important issues in agriculture!

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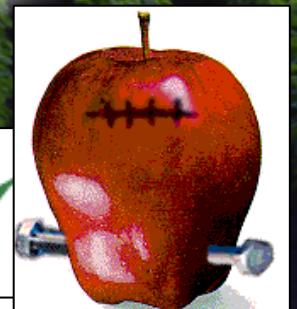
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