

Monsanto is Running the USDA: Two GMO Crops Approved This Year

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In case it didn't make it to your news table, the United States Department of Agriculture (headed by Tom Vilsack, Monsanto's best buddy) has recently (in January) approved two more Monsanto-owned genetically modified crops – new strains of both GM corn and soy. Is it any question now who is running our government in the US? Monsanto is calling the shots, not the people who vote for Congress and Senate members.

“Today [January], the U.S. Department of Agriculture approved the sale and planting of Monsanto's genetically engineered dicamba-tolerant soybeans and cotton. This approval follows that of 2,4-D tolerant soybeans and corn, billed as the next generation of herbicide-tolerant crops to tackle glyphosate (Roundup)-resistant weeds. Dicamba-tolerant soy and cotton are simply the latest example of USDA's allegiance to the biotechnology industry and dependence upon chemical solutions. This continues the disturbing trend of more herbicide-tolerant crop approvals taking place under President Obama's watch.”

Food & Water Watch Executive Director Wenonah Hauter declared in a [press statement](#) that the green light is:

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Should we be surprised though, when the main man heading the Department of Ag is a member of one of the biggest biotechnology industry groups, the Biotechnology Industry Organization, who once named Vilsack Governor of the Year? Vilsack is also the founder and former chair of the Governor's Biotechnology Partnership. So more GMO crop approval – of course!

The Environmental Protection Agency [is about to approve](#) Monsanto's newest herbicide, as well, one that contains both dicamba and glyphosate.

Other countries have already banned GM crops as well as [banning these noxious herbicidal](#) probable carcinogens, but the US – well we're all about using more toxic chemicals.

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