

Monsanto Now Billing Itself as a "Sustainable Agriculture Company"

But is anyone really buying this?

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When you read headlines like these, you may be confused. Should you get angry, or laugh? Monsanto as a sustainable agriculture company? Monsanto truly has decided to market itself as a 'sustainable agriculture' company despite spending billions to provide the world with destructive, carcinogenic chemicals.

You can see Monsanto's propaganda piece here. The biotech giant also says that it aims to "empower" farmers around the world, while arguably leading to mass farmer suicides taking place all throughout India. What's more, Monsanto is completely wreckinging the organic farmer's industry in the US. As far as 'empowering' farmers, nearly 300,000 have sued Monsanto for contaminating their seed.

And the resistance against Monsanto doesn't stop (nor even start) at the organic farmer. Even top scientists are speaking out against GMOs at large. A recent example can be seen with former senior scientist from the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). He has studied the impacts of altered crops on the environment for years, and exposes the genetically modified world and the 'pesticide treadmill' that biotech has us all running on.

The former professor states that GE crops <u>provide no</u> significant increase in crop yields, but do pose several other major concerns: namely <u>cross-pollination of non-GM species</u>, and negative impacts to the environment. He calls these 'side effects' of broken biotech promises.

And lest not forget the corporate atrocities of Monsanto such as <u>PCBs</u>, <u>dioxin</u>, Agent Orange, or their <u>latest chemical concoction</u> which is a combination of cancer-causing glyphosate and dicamba.

I guess we're supposed to forget how unsustainable Monsanto's business practices are as they sue competitors. The corporate seed monopolizer is still dwarfing small farmers.

Monsanto also tried to buy out another pesticide pusher, Syngenta, with a \$45 billion offer, which Syngenta refused – but yes, they are all about "empowering farmers." Though their aim is to make sure that every country is over-run with genetically modified crops and the chemicals that they sell to grow them.

With Monsanto's \$45 million bid for Syngenta, it shows exactly what kind of agriculture they are aiming to practice, and it is anything but sustainable.

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