

## Monsanto's cancerous truth

Dear Joann,

Today, the New York Times reported new explosive evidence showing how Monsanto gets away with selling dangerous pesticides and GMOs into our food supply. As horrifying as this news is, even for those of us who aren't surprised, it gives consumers a little more leverage—and we intend to use it.



**Please help keep the pressure on corporations like Monsanto that poison with impunity. We need to raise \$200,000 by midnight, March 31 to meet our quarterly online fundraising goal. [You can donate online, by mail or by phone, details here.](#)**

According to the NYT, while farmers and children exposed to Monsanto's Roundup herbicide were dying from non-Hodgkins lymphoma, **a high-level EPA official was colluding with Monsanto behind the scenes to hide the truth.**

And he actually *bragged* about it.

Newly unsealed court documents reveal that former EPA official Jess Rowland let Monsanto ghostwriters write the toxicology reports that would form the basis for a government investigation into whether or not Roundup causes cancer.

**"If I can kill this I should get a medal," Rowland reportedly told a Monsanto executive, who shared the comment in an email.**

Wow.

**The only way we will stop Monsanto, and other corporations, from this kind of ruthless disregard for public health is to keep the pressure on—through boycotts, through relentless demands for accountability, and through the courts.**

We may have lost the battle to label GMOs. But make no mistake—the years of educating consumers about the risks of GMO foods, and the poisons used to grow them, are paying off.

- Monsanto is facing more than 20 lawsuits from victims who say they, or a family member, have non-Hodgkins lymphoma because of exposure to glyphosate, the main ingredient in Roundup. Lawyers for the victims say ***Monsanto knew all along that its flagship herbicide causes cancer.***
- Just this week, a California judge ruled that the state can require Monsanto to label Roundup sold in retail stores as a "possible carcinogen."
- **On April 18, judges who presided over the International Monsanto Tribunal will assemble in The Hague, Netherlands.** They will tell the world what they found, after six months of poring over testimony delivered by more than 30 witnesses, including victims of Monsanto's poisons, scientists, doctors and lawyers. The testimony was delivered during a 2-day citizens' tribunal, held in October, in The Hague.
- OCA, along with another organization, will soon file our own lawsuit against Monsanto—details to be made public soon.

None of these developments would be possible without people like you, who have fought tirelessly and relentlessly to expose Monsanto's lies. Please help us raise \$200,000 by midnight, March 31 to keep up the pressure on Monsanto. [You can donate online, by mail or by phone, details here.](#)

Last week, a new United Nations report estimated that pesticides kill at least 200,000 people a year.

But as this latest news about Monsanto's back-room deals to hide the truth proves, chemical companies simply don't care.

**As the Trump administration rolls out plans to gut environmental regulations, including the already weak regulation of pesticides like glyphosate, we must work harder than ever to expose the lies and the risks.**

We can't do it without you. And every donation, no matter how small, adds up. Thank you!

In Solidarity,



Ronnie Cummins  
International Director



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