

Recommended reading on GE foods for skeptics

The following is an edited excerpt.

Late June in 2009, I went to a talk at the Long Now Foundation. It was Pamela Ronald, plant geneticist, and her husband Raoul Adamchak, organic farm instructor, talking about their vision for the future of food. I won't say I was against genetic engineering before that talk, but I was vaguely of the opinion that GE was bad, categorically.

I went to their talk and learned a lot. Because both of them came from different perspectives, it made it easier to believe what I was hearing. An organic farming teacher from UC-Davis surely would not let lies go by. Nor did they try to pretend there were no problems with modern agriculture. The idea was: how do we use the best of all the tools we have? So I went home and read their book. Then I read another book and then read some more.

With a bit of reading (and an open mind and informed by some smart science communicators) I realized that even parts of agriculture I was uncomfortable with had something important to say about the future of food. These are some of the books that gave me a better perspective on agriculture and food.

Read the full post here: [Recommended Reading on Genetically Engineered Foods](#)