Crucifying Amy Harmon: What happens when good journalists challenge anti-GMO orthodoxy

Pulitzer Prize-winning *New York Times* journalist Amy Harmon recently wrote another excellent, nuanced <u>piece of science journalism</u> when she explored one man's lonely journey into learning the facts about GMOs. But the article also earned Harmon even more wrath from the anti-gmo cult.

Blogger Bernie Mooney posted a blog entry in which he examined the controversy surrounding Harmon's piece:

In her latest piece, "A Lonely Quest for Facts on Genetically Modified Crops," [Harmon] chronicles the journey of one County Council member in Hawaii, Greggor Ilagan, to learn about GMOs when a GMO ban was being debated in the council. In the end he found, like any informed person, that GMOs are just fine and that anti-GMO activists are dumbasses.

What I liked the best about the piece beyond that is was a great piece of journalism, was that it was great reading about someone whose journey mirrored my own, from not knowing anything about GMOS, to finding out it was much ado about nothing. Whenever someone raised some negative issue about GMOs, Ilagan dutifully checked it out. Again and again and again.

Read the full, original post: Amy Harmon: When good journalists cross the anti-GMO cult