Organic farmers discuss GMO cross-pollination concerns

The question of "tolerance levels" for genetic contamination of organic crops is coming to the forefront of the organic industry, experts say.

Organic advocates say cross-pollination with genetically modified organisms, or GMOs, is a threat to farmers but they've yet to arrive at a consensus for handling the issue.

"The question is what threshold are we going to accept for genetic contamination?" said Holli Cederholm, general manager of the Organic Seed Growers and Trade Association.

The topic was discussed at a recent meeting of the Organic Seed Alliance in Corvallis, Ore.

In the case of OSGATA, its members have adopted a zero tolerance policy toward GMOs, meaning that any detectable level of contamination is unacceptable.

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