

Oregon student group campaigns for GMO labeling

In February, Oregon Student Public Interest Research Group (OSPIRG) set off on its lead petition campaign for the 2014 winter term. With a parade of yellow flyers and clipboard-wielding volunteers across the EMU, the campus lobbying group collected signatures in favor of labeling laws for foods containing genetically modified organisms, more commonly referred to as GMOs. The target of the campaign was local supermarket chain Market of Choice, whom OSPIRG wished would publicly favor such rules were they to ever come to ballot.

However, some have a different view of the issue.

“The current consensus among the scientific community is near-unanimous against the current GMO labeling laws being discussed. The proposals being considered serve only to create stigma against products with these ingredients,” said Steven Strauss said, a professor at Oregon State University. Strauss has more than 20 years in experience working with genetically modified plants, and teaches his students the science and policy of GMOs for the past decade.

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