Video: NaturalNews' Mike Adams tries to explain GMO 'agricultural holocaust' and fails

NaturalNews' editor and founder Mike Adams recently <u>compared</u> supporters of biotechnology to Nazis, labeling them as "Monsanto Collaborators." He suggested that anti-GMO activists should consider murdering the Monsanto Collaborators for their "crimes against humanity." The Federal Bureau of Investigations has begun looking into the matter, and Adams' original post has been removed on NaturalNews.com. But that hasn't stopped Adams from writing.

In a more recent <u>article</u> published last week, Adams tried to explain what he calls an "agricultural holocaust" through genetically modified foods. However, his article was based on misinformation, as Jeff Holiday at *This Week In Pseudoscience* noted. Holiday systematically analyzed each of Adams' ten claims in a video embedded below:

In his accompanying article to the video from *This Week In Pseudoscience*, Holiday deconstructed each claim made by Adams. Here are a few excerpts:

#1) EVERY GRAIN OF GM CORN CONTAINS POISON

At number one, you might think that Mr. Adams might try a more nebulous entry, something hard to disprove or at least subjective. Instead, he goes full-blown tin foil hat. When someone talks about GM corn, they are usually referring to either a crop system that is resistant to a poison (so you can more easily manage pests and weeds) such as RoundUp Ready, or they mean Bt corn. It's fairly common that laypeople don't understand the difference. RoundUp Ready corn, for example, has no poison in it, it is simply resistant to that specific poison. That doesn't put poison in the 'grain' of the corn any more than an organic crop would. Secondly, Bt corn is a crop that has been modified to produce a protein that is toxic to certain insects. Now, I know that sounds scary, but there are two things to remember. Number one, Bt is completely harmless to humans. And lastly, and most importantly, Bt is sprayed on organic crops. ...

#4) GMOS RUN THE VERY REAL RISK OF RUNAWAY SELF-REPLICATING GENETIC POLLUTION AND ECOCIDE

This one is a doozy, so take a deep breath before continuing. Below is a quote [from Adams] to put all this in context:

"Unlike isolated chemicals, GMOs self-replicate. This means there is an automatic risk of a runaway ecological holocaust caused by genetic pollution from GMOs."

Many years ago, when I was much younger, I was tasked by my father to spraypaint primer on the back wall of my closet to cover up the drawings I had made on the wall. Possibly due to the resulting brain damage from that badly ventilated space; I feel that I can accurately try to decode this for you. Adams is claiming a comparison between GMOs and elemental chemistry. Which is interesting (in the way someone comparing a chunk of coal to a house plant is interesting, and stupid) given isolated chemicals are not alive. GMOs have this neat letter 'O' which means organism. All organisms replicate. It's the biological imperative number one.

Furthermore, Mr. Adams dazzles us with his incredible language choices, using the wildly inappropriate term 'holocaust'. Unless Monsanto has engineered flame throwers into their crops? I'm at a bit of a loss for words as to how this is appropriate. But then, we could expect no less brilliance from the man calling for the death of scientists and journalists that disagree with him. ...

#10) THE KIND OF SCIENTISTS WHO COLLABORATE WITH BIOTECH COMPANIES ARE THE MOST DISHONEST, CORRUPT AND UNETHICAL SCIENTISTS IN OUR WORLD

Ending with a lovely rant about how he perceives science, and how his manufactured reasons of fear outweigh the push for new technologies and improvements to human agricultural infrastructure, Mike begins to unwrap himself for us. He uses the adage 'playing God with nature' (capitalization his) which, I have found, is always at the heart of the anti-GMO protestations. People like Mike can find plenty of reasons to be afraid on the internet, what with pages like his monument to irrationality NaturalNews. There are enough memes passed among Facebook friends to find something shocking enough to take a position on; but ultimately it comes down to dogma versus science.

Read the full, original article: Mike Adams and his agricultural lollercaust

Additional Resources:

- NaturalNews' Mike Adams' genocidal views on GMOs mainstream among environmental activists, Hawaii Farmer's Daughter
- Most 'dangerous' anti-science GMO critic? Meet Mike Adams–Conspiracy junkie runs alternative <u>'health' empire</u>, Genetic Literacy Project