6 reasons why I changed my mind about Monsanto

Seed manufacturer Monsanto Company has been the target of a lot of criticism over the past few years, including a couple of articles that I wrote when I first started writing for Forward Progressives. In 2013, the first annual March Against Monsanto took place. It was supposedly in response to the failure of California Proposition 37, in 2012 which would have mandated labeling of foods that came from seeds that were genetically enhanced.

After a couple of articles on the subject in which I expressed concern over certain Monsanto practices, I was urged by people who have a background in science to "do some research" – so since then I've spent literally hundreds of hours researching not only Monsanto itself, but GE technology as well. As a result of this research, I came to the conclusion that Monsanto – and genetic engineering of seed technology – isn't the horrible Frankenstein experiment the March Against Monsanto crowd would have people believe. Here are a few of the things that I've learned that I want to share with you.

6. You'll often hear about how Monsanto is suing farmers for alleged cross-contamination. However, out of the hundreds of thousands of farmers the company sells seed to annually, they've only sued 144 between 1997 and 2010 and that was for violating their patent rights or contract with the company. The company also notes that out of all of those lawsuits, only nine have gone to trial and any recovered funds are donated.

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