

## Kevin Folta: 'Berkeley 45' has opportunity to rethink 'activist aided' attack on Food Evolution movie

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The release of the documentary [Food Evolution](#) was lauded by scientists and folks in agriculture.... But the film's release did not sit well with everyone.

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One group of 45 faculty and students, most at UC Berkeley, were [held up as "experts"](#) that claimed the film to simply be a "slick piece of agrichemical industry propaganda"....

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***[Editor's note: Read the [article](#) that revealed activist influence on the letter.]***

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The best immediate fix is for individuals caught in this mess to recant their endorsement.

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And of course, you are still invited to the podcast. Science is about self-policing and correction. That's how we grow as a discipline. Correcting this matter would be a good first step. Rescind the Berkeley 45 letter and let's start a more productive dialog.

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