A GMO IS:

the direct human manipulation of an organism's DNA in a laboratory environment.



A GMO IS NOT:

Plants and animals that are traditionally bred to achieve specific characteristics such as breeding dogs or cross-pollination of plants

Genetically Modified Organism

SCIENCE OF GMOS

Genetic modification may include the ADDITION OF DNA from species that would NOT BREED in nature.

Genetic modification may also involve REMOVING SPECIFIC STRANDS OF DNA.

Cross-species—or transgenic—genetic manipulation has gone so far as to COMBINE FISH DNA WITH STRAWBERRIES and tomatoes.



GMO foods have only existed in groceries since the late 1990's.

GMO life can be patented

GMO varieties of corn and potatoes are engineered to **PRODUCE THEIR OWN PESTICIDES.**

STUDIES OF GMOS

NO LONG-TERM TESTING.

It took decades for the dangers of Trans-Fats (another artificial food) to become understood.

Mice fed GM pesticideproducing corn over four generations showed ABNORMAL structural and chemical changes to various organs and significantly reduced fertility.

herbicide-resistant crops can cross-pollinate to create
HERBICIDE-RESISTANT WEEDS.

cide-producing GMO s have led to STANCE IN INSECTS.

TRANGENIC DNA
HAS BEEN FOUND
IN 80% OF WILD
CANOLA IN NORTH
DAKOTA

PREVALENCE OF GMOS

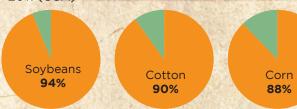
You probably eat GMOs EVERY DAY.



30,000

different GMOs exist on grocery store shelves (largely because of how many processed foods contain soy.)

PERCENT OF GMOS IN TOTAL CROP PRODUCTION 2011 (USA)



PUBLIC OPINION OF GMOS

Polls consistently show that a significant majority of North Americans would LIKE TO BE ABLE TO TELL if the food they're purchasing contains GMOs.

OUT OF A CBS NEWS POLL:



87% want GMOs labelled



53% would not buy genetically modified food

NATIONAL OPINIONS OF GMOS:

The USA is the largest producer of GMO crops and does not mandate labels for GMO food.

In 30 other countries there are bans or restrictions on the production of GMOs, because they are not considered proven safe.