

# **Exhibit 8**

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**From:** Hayes, Wally [awhayes@spherix.com]  
**Sent:** 9/27/2012 11:43:12 PM  
**To:** SALTMIRAS, DAVID A [AG/1000] [/O=MONSANTO/OU=NA-1000-01/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=DASALT]; A. Wallace Hayes [awallacehayes@comcast.net]  
**Subject:** RE: Help Take Action AGAINST Seralini Study -- Write to Journal Editor TODAY

Best email is awallaehayes@comcast.net.

October 15 as discussed on phone today.

Wally

**From:** SALTMIRAS, DAVID A (AG/1000) [mailto:david.a.saltmiras@monsanto.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 27, 2012 1:54 PM  
**To:** A. Wallace Hayes; Hayes, Wally  
**Subject:** FW: Help Take Action AGAINST Seralini Study -- Write to Journal Editor TODAY  
**Importance:** High

Wally,

FYI, from Crop Life below. Monsanto is working on a comprehensive technical response. What is the latest we can get this to you and meet your time lines? Is by close of business tomorrow (Friday) acceptable for your purposes? If not, when?

Regards,

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**From:** Deb Carstou [mailto:Deb.Carstou@croplife.org]

**Sent:** Thursday, September 27, 2012 12:34 PM

**Subject:** Help Take Action AGAINST Seralini Study -- Write to Journal Editor TODAY

**Importance:** High

Dear All:

It has come to our attention that several independent scientists and academics have written directly to the three managing editors of the *Food and Chemical Toxicology Journal* urging the editors to take action against the Seralini study, "Long term toxicity of a Roundup herbicide and a Roundup-tolerant genetically modified maize."

Editor Dr. Wally Hayes has indicated that he is prepared to take **immediate action** on the Seralini paper, but in order to do so, he needs more letters and voices who suggest, support, or demand a retraction and/or criticize the paper's publication of the study. These letters must be received **TODAY** in order to help encourage any action from the publication.

I encourage you to write **today** to Dr. Hayes **asking that the paper be retracted** for the following reasons:

- Séralini's allegations of negative impacts on rat health as a result of eating biotech corn and glyphosate have been refuted by numerous studies, including long-term feeding studies, in the peer-reviewed scientific literature.
  - A 2008 two-year rat feeding study by Y. Sakamoto *et al.* found that biotech soybeans pose no health risks.
  - A 2012 assessment by C. Snell *et al.* reviewed 12 long-term feeding studies of biotech maize, potato, soybean, rice, and triticale and found that biotech crops are nutritionally equivalent to their conventional counterparts and can be safely used in food and feed.
- Previous peer-reviewed rat feeding studies using the same products (NK603 and Roundup) have not found any negative food safety impacts.
- Similar feeding studies conducted by Séralini in the past have been found to be deficient in their analysis by the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA), as well as the Public Research and Regulation Initiative (PRRI).

In addition, since the paper's publication, numerous scientists worldwide immediately called into question the paper's data, which appears to be misleading and fundamentally flawed.

Please send your letters directly to Wally Hayes at [wallacehayes@comcast.net](mailto:wallacehayes@comcast.net).

Thanks in advance, Deb

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