



Pigs fed GM corn and soy have intestinal and fertility problems. What's it doing to us?

In an independent study, pigs in a US piggery were fed GM corn and soy from weaning until slaughter.[\[i\]](#)

The GM-fed pigs had 2.6 times the rate of severe stomach inflammation of pigs fed a non-GM diet.

The uteruses of pigs fed GM were 25% heavier than those fed non-GM.

Farmers report increased need for antibiotics, high levels of livestock deaths, listlessness and aggression in animals fed GM.[\[ii\]](#)

"Pigs have a similar digestive system to humans. This study shows these animals may be sick and in pain when fed GM" said Jessica Harrison from MADGE "What is eating GM soy and corn doing to us?"

GM feed also appears to damage fertility. The study says the heavy uteruses of the pigs may indicate numerous conditions including cancer, endometriosis or polyps.

Piggeries have reported a reduction in the ability to conceive, increased rates of miscarriage and deformities in pigs fed GM.[\[iii\]](#)

"This study shows intestinal and fertility problems are linked to eating GM. Most processed food in Australia contains GM ingredients but they escape labelling. We need a freeze on new GM approvals, a reassessment of existing ones and full labelling of GM ingredients immediately." Said Fran Murrell, co-founder of MADGE.

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MADGE is a group of mothers and others researching the food system

[i] Judy A. Carman, Howard R. Vlieger, Larry J. Ver Steeg, Verlyn E. Sneller, Garth W. Robinson, Catherine A. Clinch-Jones, Julie I. Haynes, John W. Edwards (2013). A long-term toxicology study on pigs fed a combined genetically modified (GM) soy and GM maize diet. Journal of Organic Systems 8 (1): 38-54. Open access full text: <http://www.organic-systems.org/journal/81/8106.pdf>

[ii] Press release Evidence of GMO harm in pig study <http://gmojudycarman.org/new-study-shows-that-animals-are-seriously-harmed-by-gm-feed/>

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