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**Subject:** Application A1042 - Food derived from herbicide-tolerant corn line DAS-40278-9

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I write to ask that you please reject Application A1042.

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Since your Safety Assessment does not address environmental, accumulation or stacked downstream effects, why even consider more GM to pad the pockets and corporates and muscle real food out of our hands?

While I appreciate the antibiotic resistant markers have been removed, the anemic consideration that there is low likelihood for weed developed resistance and the failure to acknowledge downstream environmental gene stacking is unacceptable. The Safety Assessment fails to notes that this application is for the financial benefit of corporations determined to own the food chain, produce unhealthy and sell war derived chemical weapons at any cost. Worldwide, millions of tonnes of corn are already dumped each year, many more finding their way into non-food product. The pages of nutritional analysis is at best mute filler.

"The major residues generated on corn line DAS-40278-9 as a result of spraying with 2,4-D and quizalofop-P-ethyl are not novel. The residues are the same as those found on conventional crops. Residue data derived from supervised trials indicate that the residue levels for both herbicides are below the limit of quantitation. In the absence of any measurable exposure to either parent herbicide or their metabolites the risk to public health and safety is likely to be negligible."

Again there is no mention of stacking, mixing or accumulation. Just because the residues are similar to conventional crops does not make them safe. A likely negligible risk to public health is not good enough.