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PUBLICATIONS

ETC COMMUNIQUÉS


Issue 74, January/February 2002: Fear Reviewed Science: Contaminated Corn and Tainted Tortillas: Genetic Pollution in Mexico’s Centre of Maize Diversity. La ciencia revisada por socios: maíz contaminado y tortillas dañadas, Contaminación genética en México, centro de diversidad del maíz


Issue 76, May/June 2002: No Small Matter! Nanotech Particles Penetrate Living Cells and Accumulate in Animal Organs. ¡No es poca cosa! Las partículas nanotecnológicas penetran las células vivas y se acumulan en los órganos animales

Issue 77, January/February 2003: Green Goo: Nanobiotechnology Comes Alive. La nanotecnología cobra vida. Ahí viene la Plaga Verde

Issue 78, March/April 2003: The Strategy for Converging Technologies: The Little BANG Theory. La teoría del pequeño BANG. La estrategia de las tecnologías convergentes


Issue 80, July/August 2003: Nanotech Un-gooed! Is the Grey/Green Goo Brouhaha the Industry’s Second Blunder? ¡NANOTECNOLOGIA SIN PLAGA!

Issue 81, September/October 2003: Mulch ado about nothing?...Or the Sand Witch? Nano regeneradores del suelo. La bruja de la arena

NEWS RELEASES

September 5, 2001: “RAFI becomes ETC group, International Advocacy Group Changes Name, President, and Widens Agenda” “RAFI se transforma en ETC, Grupo internacional de denuncia cambia de nombre y aumenta el espectro de sus actividades”

October 23, 2001: “HyPEing the Human Genome: The Dissent Disease” “Acotando el genoma humano: la enfermedad del desacuerdo”

October 30, 2001: “U.S. Acquisition of Aromatic Thai Rice Breaks Trust: Thai-phoon in the rice bowl?”

November 7, 2001: “Tratado Internacional sobre Semillas y Derechos de los Agricultores”


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November 7, 2001: “Tratado Internacional sobre Semillas y Derechos de los Agricultores”


January 23, 2002: “The Fight Over Mexico’s GM Maize Contamination” “La lucha por la contaminación del maíz en México”


February 27, 2002: “Silent Science: Neither Early Warning nor Early Listening – What the CGIAR is Not Doing” “Ciencia Silenciosa, Si no tiene nada bonito que decir, ¿mejor quedarse callado?”

March 6, 2002: “Nanotech Takes a Giant Step Down” “Nanotecnología: un pequeño gran paso”

April 4, 2002: “Conquering Nature...and Sidestepping the Debate over Biotech and Biodiversity” “La vuelta de Nature...o cómo evitar el debate sobre biotecnología y biodiversidad”

April 5, 2002: “Ban Terminator Before It’s Too Late”

April 9, 2002: “DuPont and Monsanto – Living in Sinergy?”


April 11, 2002: “Using Terminator to halt GM seed contamination is like...Using DDT to kill the ants on your sandwich”

October 31, 2002: “Trouble in Paradise: Civil Society Denounces CGIAR for Denial of GM Contamination in Mexican Centre of Genetic Diversity” “Problemas en el Paraíso. La sociedad civil denuncia al CGIAR por negación, distracción y demora sobre la contaminación de maíz en el centro de diversidad genética en México”


April 14, 2003: “More Evidence for Moratorium on Synthetic Nanoparticles” “¡El tamaño sí importa! Nueva información provee mayor evidencia para implementar una moratoria sobre las nano partículas sintéticas: Grupo ETC”


April 28, 2003: “Monsanto’s Species-Wide Patent on Trial”

May 7, 2003: “Patently Wrong!” “Patentemente equivoco!”

GENOTYPES (EDITORIALS)

October 16, 2001: “Summit Plummets – but there’s an Undertaking in the Making, World Food Day: What to do if Your Gene Bank is Contaminated with GM Seed” “La Cumbre se derrumba, pero hay un compromiso en el camino. Qué hacer si su banco genético está contaminado”

October 24, 2001: “On the Centenary of a Famine: Food Sovereignty” “Soberanía alimentaria. En el centenario de la hambruna”


March 13, 2002: “Stop the ‘Stockholm Syndrome’!” “¡Detengan el Síndrome de Estocolmo!”


May 1, 2002: “ETC group responds to Purdue University’s recent efforts to promote genetic seed sterilization – Terminator technology – as an environmental protection technology” “El Grupo ETC responde al reciente emprendimiento de la Universidad...”

June 20, 2002: “Ag Biotech Countdown: Vital Statistics and GM Crops Update” “Cuenta regresiva de la agrobiotecnología: estadísticas de los cultivos transgénicos”


October 28, 2002: “OGMs de México a Zambia: La Gran Contención”

April 17, 2003: “US Government Forces UPOV to Abandon Terminator Critique”

May 2, 2003: “Nanotech and the Precautionary Principle” “La nanotecnología y el Principe Precautorio”

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- “Fix, Nix, & Tricks,” ETC Translator, April 19, 2002.
- ETC Group, “Genetic Pollution in Mexico’s Center of Maize Diversity,” on GM maize contamination in Mexico, June 1, 2002.
• "Everything you ever wanted to know about the 21st century, and were afraid to ask! A CD tour of the ETC Group’s (formerly RAFI) recent research and analysis of the socio-economic impact of new technologies on rural societies," CD-ROM, in English/Spanish with accompanying 12-page brochure in English and Spanish, August 2002 (produced 1,050 copies).


• Silvia Ribeiro, “El año de la gran contaminación,” La Jornada, October 1, 2002.


• Silvia Ribeiro, “Cuando el maíz se podía comer,” La Jornada, December 31, 2002.


• January 2003, Poster: “Raiders of the Last Ark? The Big Down – Converging Technologies to Manipulate and Monopolize the Fundamental Elements of Nature”


• La inmensidad de lo mínimo. Tecnologías que convergen en la nanoescala


• February 2003, Poster: “Atom and Eve? Green Goo – when genetically modified organisms meet atomically modified matter Life will never be the same!"


• Silvia Ribeiro, “Quiénes comen y quienes nos comen,” La Jornada, March 1, 2003.


• Silvia Ribeiro, “¿Ahora los biopiratas son los campe- sinos?” La Jornada, May 29, 2003.


• Jim Thomas, “The need for a Moratorium on Nanotechnology,” La Revue Durable (Swiss/French), July 2003.


• Jim Thomas, “Do We Need A Moratorium on Nanotechnology?” Royal Society of Arts Journal, August 2003.


MEETINGS/EVENTS

2001

• Aug. 20-Sept. 2, 2001, capacity-building workshop for UNORCA farmer leaders on biodiversity, GMOs and biopiracy, Guerrero, Mexico (Silvia Ribeiro)

• Sept. 2-9, 2001, Conference: Plenary on Intellectual Property Rights’ impact on food security; World Forum on Food Sovereignty, Havana, Cuba (Silvia Ribeiro)

• Sept. 4-6, 2001, IFPRI Conference: “Sustainable Food Security for all by 2020” with parallel NGO Conference and public debate on agricultural biotechnologies – Bonn, Germany (Pat Mooney)

• Sept. 6-7, 2001, Conference; Dag Hammarskjöld Foundation lecture and seminar, Uppsala, Sweden (Pat Mooney)

• Sept. 16-18, 2001, BioPolicy and BioPiracy seminar and media interviews and testimony before Philippines Congressional Committee, organized by SEARICE, Manila, Philippines (Pat Mooney)

• Sept. 19-23, 2001, SE Asia ETC regional workshop, Nakhon Nayok, Thailand (Pat Mooney, Julie Delahanty)

• Sept. 20-22, 2001, capacity-building workshop; Biodiversity & GMOs – UNORCA and peasant leaders, Guerrero, Mexico (Silvia Ribeiro)

• Sept. 22, 2001, Workshop: Biodiversity for Central America and Mexico, supported by the Heinrich Böll Foundation, Mexico City, Mexico (Silvia Ribeiro)

• Oct. 12, 2001, “Agricultural Research: For Whom?” SwissAid & Berne Declaration, Berne Switzerland (speech by Hope Shand)


• Oct. 29-Nov. 7, 2001, International Treaty Negotiations, FAO Council (121st Session), Rome, Italy (Pat Mooney, Julie Delahanty)

• Oct. 28-Nov. 3, 2001, CGIAR Annual General Meeting (AGM), Washington DC, USA (Silvia Ribeiro and Hope Shand); luncheon presentation on CGIAR governance issues

• Nov. 4-6, 2001, Core Planning Committee for the World Food Summit with approximately 40 international CSOs and the German Agriculture Minister, Rome, Italy (Pat Mooney, Julie Delahanty)

• Nov. 12-13, 2001, SBSSTA 7 of the Biodiversity Convention, Montreal, Quebec (Julie Delahanty)

• Nov. 13-14, 2001, Access to Genetic Resources and Indigenous Rights, Metropolitan Autonomous University & RADPI, Mexico City, Mexico (Silvia Ribeiro)

• Nov. 22-24, 2001, “Biological Corridor and Biopiracy,” Mesoamerican meetings of NGOs, SFOs, and IPOs on the Plan Puebla Panama, Guatemala (Silvia Ribeiro)

• Nov. 26-30, 2001, CBDC PCC Meeting: ETC Seminar, co-organized with CET-Sur, Temuco, Chile (Pat Mooney, Hope Shand, Julie Delahanty, Silvia Ribeiro)

2002

• Jan. 19-20, 2002, Conference/workshop for indigenous authorities on maize contamination implications, organized by Union of Indigenous Organizations in Sierra Juarez, Oaxaca, Mexico (Silvia Ribeiro)

• Jan. 24-25, 2002, Seminar: “In defense of Maize,” organized by ETC Group, CECCAM, CASIFOP and co-hosted by these groups with ten other CSOs. Mexico City, Mexico

• Jan. 26-Feb. 3, 2002, Prep Com II for WSSD, Workshop on Terminator Technologies, and other information briefings on GM maize contamination, New York City (Hope Shand, Julie Delahanty)

• Jan. 29-Feb. 7, 2002, World Social Forum, four ETC workshops on new agenda issues plus speeches in other workshops, one news conference, numerous media interviews, Porto Alegre, Brazil (Pat Mooney, Silvia Ribeiro)

• Feb. 3, 2002 Working Group on Article 8(j)/GURTS, Presentation on Terminator technologies, Montreal, Quebec (Julie Delahanty)

• Feb. 3, 2002, Workshop on farmers and biodiversity organized by Ecological Farmers in Rio Grande du Sol, Porto Alegre, Brazil (Silvia Ribeiro)
• March 2, 2002, Conference at Farmer’s Seed Fair, organized by Group Vicente Guererro, Tlaxcala, Mexico (Silvia Ribeiro)

• March 5-7, 2002, “Living with the Genie: Governing the Scientific and Technological Transformation of Society in the 21st Century” attended conference at Columbia University, New York (Hope Shand)

• March 16-20, 2002, Alexandria Biotechnology Conference, Alexandria, Egypt (Pat Mooney)

• March 18-20, 2002, Latin American Seminar, “Biopiracy and the Ecological Debt,” organized by Acción Ecológica, Instituto de Estudios del Tercer Mundo and ETC Group, Quito, Ecuador (Silvia Ribeiro)

• March 25-April 5, 2002, Prep. Com III for World Summit on Sustainable Development, New York City (Pat Mooney)

• March 27-30, 2002, meeting with CSOs in Guadalajara and authorities for the Huichol peoples, on maize contamination, Jalisco, Mexico (Silvia Ribeiro)

• April 8-16, 2002, Sixth Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity (COP6), The Hague. Conducted side event on Terminator Technology; “Resistance is Fertile” protest at European Patent Office; hosted Captain Hook Awards on 11 April (Hope Shand and Silvia Ribeiro); side-event on GM contamination in Mexico (Silvia Ribeiro)

• April 18-20, 2002, seminar on biopiracy, access to genetic resources and international legislation; organized by University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria (Silvia Ribeiro)

• April 22, 2002, conference on CBD and access to genetic resources; organized by EED inviting officers from other German CSOs, Bonn, Germany (Silvia Ribeiro)

• April 25-28, 2002, CSO consultations on agricultural issues with ETC Group, GRAIN, ITDG, Food First, NGO Committee of CGIAR, and Via Campesina, Madrid, Spain (Pat Mooney, Silvia Ribeiro)

• May 23, 2002, Keynote speech for “Land and Labor in North Carolina,” conference sponsored by NC Council of Churches and other CSOs (Hope Shand)

• May 26-30, 2002, Dag Hammarskjöld Foundation Seminar “What Next?” Uppsala, Sweden (Pat Mooney)

• May 28-31, 2002, Pugwash Workshop: “Impact and Threats of Agricultural Biotechnology” on UNAM campus – Mexico City, Mexico (Silvia Ribeiro)

• May 31, 2002, Public debate on Risks of Genetic Modified Organisms, organized by ETC Group, CECCAM and CASIFOP in the Faculty of Economics, UNAM, Mexico City, Mexico (Silvia Ribeiro)

• June 6, 2002, Presentation at Convent di Cremona, Milan, Italy (Pat Mooney)

• June 7-8, 2002, Committee on World Food Security (28th Session), Rome, Italy (Pat Mooney)

• June 8-13, 2002, Rome NGO/CSO Forum for Food Sovereignty, Rome, Italy (Pat Mooney)

• June 10-13, 2002, World Food Summit – 5 Years Later, Rome, Italy (Pat Mooney)

• June 17-18, 2002, 30-Year Anniversary of Stockholm Conference; presented The ETC Century, Stockholm, Sweden (Pat Mooney)

• June 19, 2002, Meetings with Dag Hammarskjöld Foundation, Uppsala, Sweden (Pat Mooney)

• July 3, 2002, conference at capacity-building workshop for farmers’ leaders from UNORCA; on biopiracy and genetic modification, Tlaxcala, Mexico (Silvia Ribeiro)

• July 11, 2002, conference on Genetic Resources in the Global Context at UNAM, Institute for Economic Research, Mexico City, Mexico (Silvia Ribeiro)

• July 14-19, 2002, Mesoamerican Forum on Plan Puebla Panama; Working Group on Food Sovereignty; presented a speech on food sovereignty and Terminator Technologies, Managua, Nicaragua (Silvia Ribeiro)

• July 24-26, 2002, UNHCHR 54th Session of the Sub-commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human rights (Social Forum), Geneva, Switzerland (Pat Mooney)

• July 24, 2002, Debate on Biopiracy and Transgenics at UAM Atzcapozalco, Mexico City, Mexico (Silvia Ribeiro)

• Aug. 1-2, 2002, conference at Seminar on Impacts of Trade, Pesticides and GMOs in Latin American Agriculture; organized by PAN-Latin America (RAPAL) and University of Chapingo, Mexico and co-hosted by ETC Group, Estado de Mexico, Mexico (Silvia Ribeiro)
• Aug. 21-23, 2002, South-South Biopiracy Summit; organized by Biowatch South Africa, Johannesburg, South Africa (Silvia Ribeiro)

• Aug. 27, 2002, World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD), Meeting of Social Movements related to World Social Forum, where ETC Group presented the Stockholm Syndrome, Johannesburg, South Africa (Pat Mooney, Silvia Ribeiro, Charlie Shymko)

• Aug. 28, 2002, WSSD Seminar: hosts of CSO meeting on Global Conservation Trust with IPGRI and Biowatch, South Africa, discussion on GM contamination of Mexican maize crop (Pat Mooney, Silvia Ribeiro)

• Aug. 29, 2002, World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD), workshop: “The Community Biodiversity Development and Conservation Programme” (co-hosted by SEARICE), Johannesburg, South Africa (Pat Mooney, Silvia Ribeiro, Charlie Shymko)

• Aug. 30, 2002, WSSD, ETC Group and BioWatch South Africa co-hosted two workshops: “Nanotechnology and other emerging technologies of the 21st century – Implications for the poor and for democratic dissent,” Johannesburg, South Africa (Pat Mooney, Silvia Ribeiro, Charlie Shymko)

• Sept. 1, 2002, WSSD, hosted Agricultural Biotechnologies Workshop – Johannesburg, South Africa (Pat Mooney, Silvia Ribeiro, Charlie Shymko)

• Sept. 9, 2002, workshop on WTO for Mexican NGOs; introduced TRIPs discussion, Mexico City, Mexico (Silvia Ribeiro)

• Sept. 14-16, 2002, Keynote speech at the Forum in Defense of Traditional Medicine, Atlapulco, Mexico (Silvia Ribeiro)

• Sept. 20, 2002, Presentation of Life for Sale, Transgenics, Patents and Biodiversity published by Heinrich Böll Foundation; organized by GEA and Greenpeace Mexico. Silvia Ribeiro is contributor, Mexico City, Mexico (Silvia Ribeiro)

• Sept. 27-30, 2002, International Forum on Ecology and Sustainable Development; organized by CIESAS Golfo and Veracruzan University; gave two conferences and participated in a panel presenting The ETC Century, Xalapa, Mexico (Silvia Ribeiro)

• Oct. 2, 2002, workshop on Environmental Services; organized by CECCAM, CASIFOP and ETC Group, Mexico City, Mexico (Silvia Ribeiro)
• Dec. 11, 2002, meetings with European Green Party and MEPs – European Parliament, Brussels, Belgium (Jim Thomas)

• Dec. 14-15, 2002, Fourth Forum on Natural Resources at Sierra Norte, Oaxaca, organized by the Federation of Organizations of the Sierra Juarez; held conference on maize contamination, global context and relevance of farmers’ seed conservation, Oaxaca, Mexico (Silvia Ribeiro)

2003

• Jan. 10, 2003, attended seminar on toxicity of nanoparticles organized by Dr. Vyvyan Howard, University of Liverpool, UK (Jim Thomas)

• Jan. 15, 2003, ETC participation in the forum “En defensa del Campo” (Silvia Ribeiro)

• Jan. 17-19, 2003, presentation on nanotechnology to Genetic Engineering Network gathering, Manchester, UK (Jim Thomas)

• Jan. 18-19, 2003, meetings with Minister of Science and Technology and Minister of Environment on biotechnology and nanotechnology, Brasilia, Brazil (Pat Mooney, Silvia Ribeiro)

• Jan. 20-28, 2003, World Social Forum, two seminars on Stockholm Syndrome, two seminars on atomtechnologies (Pat Mooney, Silvia Ribeiro); speech on new technologies (Pat Mooney)

• January, 2003, co-hosted a CBDC seminar on Agricultural Biodiversity, World Social Forum, Porto Alegre, Brazil (Pat Mooney, Silvia Ribeiro)

• January 2003, presented a speech at Food Sovereignty rally, Stadium Gigantinho (Pat Mooney)

• Feb. 5-7, 2003, NBIC Convergence 2003 Conference (Nanoscience, Biotechnology, Information technology and Cognitive science), UCLA, Los Angeles, California (Jim Thomas, Kathy Jo Wetter)

• Feb. 8-9, 2003, meeting with organized farmers, in Guanajuato state, on Mexican maize contamination (Verónica Villa)


• Feb. 21, 2003, Meeting with CSOs on nanotechnology at Friends of the Earth UK (Pat Mooney, Jim Thomas)

• Feb. 22, 2003, seminar on nanotechnology for Indian government, CSOs and media, New Delhi, India (Pat Mooney)

• Feb. 23-28, 2003, Seminar: “What Next?” in conjunction with the Dag Hammarskjöld Foundation, Dehra Dun, India (Pat Mooney)

• March 11, 2003, invited to public meeting hosted by the Rockefeller foundation on African Technology Foundation, Washington, DC (Pat Mooney)

• March 12, 2003, workshop on biopiracy, biotechnology and traditional medicine at Centro Nacional para Misiones Indígenas, CENAMI, Mexico City (Silvia Ribeiro, Verónica Villa)

• March 20, 2003, talk on maize contamination and the GM impacts on indigenous agriculture, culture and economy, at Centro Nacional para Misiones Indígenas, CENAMI, Mexico City, (Verónica Villa)

• March 21-22, 2003, Meeting of North American CSOs on nanotechnology, Chicago, Il (Pat Mooney, Hope Shand and Kathy Jo Wetter)

• March 22-25, 2003, attended seminars on nanotechnology and the environment, American Chemical Society Annual Meeting, New Orleans, (Kathy Jo Wetter)

• March 25, 2003, “Thinking about the World Atom by Atom,” one-day conference on societal implications of nanotechnology, the Royal Institution, London (Jim Thomas)

• March 26, 2003, introduced Percy Schmeiser at a fundraiser, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada (Pat Mooney)

• April 1-2, 2003, Fifth Forum on Natural Resources at Sierra Norte, Oaxaca; organized by the Federation of Organizations of the Sierra Juarez; held conference on maize contamination, global context and relevance of farmers seed conservation, Oaxaca, Mexico (Verónica Villa)

• April 3-4, 2003, attended annual meeting of National Nanotechnology Initiative, Washington, DC (Kathy Jo Wetter)

• April 9, 2003, presentation on nanotechnology to Chinese journalists and CSOs, hosted by Greenpeace China, Beijing (Jim Thomas)

• April 30, 2003, ETC Seminar on new technologies at El Colegio de México in Mexico City, 400 people in attendance, including TV, radio and print media (Pat Mooney, Silvia Ribeiro, Kathy Jo Wetter, Jim Thomas)
• May 5, 2003, seminar on World Trade and Globalization hosted by La Jornada, Mexico City, 150 people attended including TV, radio and print media (Pat Mooney, with Nettie Wiebe and Maria José Guazzelli)

• May 5, 2003, ETC Group and Greenpeace hold news conference in Munich on challenge to Monsanto’s soybean patent at the European Patent Office (Hope Shand)

• May 6, 2003, oral hearing at the European Patent Office in Munich on ETC Group’s legal challenge of Monsanto’s soybean patent (Hope Shand, Jim Thomas)

• May 10, 2003, meeting with the international coalition, “Our World Is Not For Sale,” preparing activities for Cancún Ministerial of WTO, Mexico City, Mexico (Silvia Ribeiro)

• May 12, 2003, seminar with the International Board of Directors, Greenpeace, Morelos, México (Silvia Ribeiro)

• May 14, 2003, meeting with Mr. Rene Drucker, Director of the National University Program of Science and Technology, regarding biopiracy and the public research institutions (Silvia Ribeiro)

• May 14, 2003, meeting with Silke Helfrich, Henrich Böll Foundation, planning workshops for Cancun Ministerial of WTO (Silvia Ribeiro)


• May 20, 2003, workshop on TRIPS at the Grupo de Estudios Ambientales, GEA (Mexican NGO), Mexico City (Silvia Ribeiro)

• May 20-May 22, 2003, meetings with Members of European Parliament including Dr. Caroline Lucas, Eryl McNally, Axel Singhofen (Greens Advisor on Environment Committee), Dr. Yves Pietrasanta and Dr. Renzo Tommelini (Jim Thomas)

• May 22, 2003, speech about transgenic maize contamination, Museo de Culturas Populares, Mexico City, (Silvia Ribeiro)

• May 27, 2003, meeting with European MEPs to discuss upcoming seminar, London (Jim Thomas and Pat Mooney)

• May 29, 2003, Via Campesina’s international strategy meeting on food sovereignty, Belgium (Silvia Ribeiro)

• May 30, 2003, nanotech seminar at the G8 Counter Summit in Evian, France (Pat Mooney)

• May 31-June 2, 2003, CBDC partners meeting and policy seminar in Wageninan, Netherlands (Pat Mooney, Silvia Ribeiro)

• June 4, 2003, meeting in Stockholm with Sida and SwedeBIO on ETC Group’s programme and nanotechnology; followed by meeting with Dag Hammarskjöld Foundation on nanotechnology and ICENT, Uppsala, Sweden (Pat Mooney)

• June 8-9, 2003, meeting with FAO officials and the IPC biodiversity group on agricultural biodiversity cooperation, Rome, Italy (Pat Mooney)


• June 12, 2003, European civil society nanotech strategy meeting, organised by ETC Group and Dag Hammarskjöld Foundation, held at offices of Greenpeace Belgium (Brussels)

• June 13, 2003, talk on nanotechnology, Primary School José Joaquín Fernández de Lizardi, Mexico City, (Silvia Ribeiro).

• June 18, 2003, series of CSO activities parallel to the USDA Sacramento Ministerial on New Technologies for Agriculture: presentation of the book Voices from The South, San Francisco, with Food First and PAN; “teach-in” organized by ISE and activisstsp; workshop on biotech, patents and the WTO (Silvia Ribeiro)

• June 19, 2003, nanotechnology dialogue discussion with Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington DC (Hope Shand, Pat Mooney)

• June 21, 2003, speech on biopiracy, Combonian Sisters Annual Meeting, Mexico City (Verónica Villa)

• June 23, 2003, Presenter at Food First/Institute for Food and Development Policy and Pesticide Action Network’s Agriculture, Hunger and Biotechnology: “What Role Do Genetically Engineered Crops Have in Developing Countries?” Sacramento, California (Silvia Ribeiro)
• June 24, 2003, participated in a panel organized by Public Citizen on transnational corporations and new technologies in agriculture (Silvia Ribeiro)

• June 27, 2003, speech on nanotechnology at Glastonbury Speakers Forum, Glastonbury Festival, UK (Jim Thomas)

• June 28-30, 2003, McPlanet Conference: participated in panels and gave speeches with Gene-Ethics Network (Germany) and Heinrich Böll Foundation (Silvia Ribeiro)

• July 17, 2003, speech on Biopiracy in Mexico, Multiforo Alicia, Mexico City (Silvia Ribeiro)

• July 20, 2003, workshop on nanotechnology at Buddhafield Environmental Festival, UK (Jim Thomas)


• July 24-25, 2003, Environmental Services National Workshop in Mexico, with 100 indigenous leaders; speech on biopiracy, biodiversity and global context as part of environmental services (Silvia Ribeiro, Verónica Villa)

• July 31-August 2nd, 2003, two workshops on nanotechnology at Big Green Gathering, UK (Jim Thomas)

• August 4-7, 2003, International meeting on Agriculture, Patents and WTO (towards WTO Ministerial in Cancún), with UNORCA, CECCAM, GRAIN, Via Campesina and FOEI, Focus on Global South. (Silvia Ribeiro and Verónica Villa were organizers)

ETC GROUP IN THE MEDIA

2001

• Daniel Charles, Lords of the Harvest: Biotech, Big Money, and the Future of Food—Cambridge, Massachusetts, 2001 (ETC Group cited)


• Sept. 2001, Juventud Rebelde: Interview on GMOs, Havana, Cuba (Silvia Ribeiro)

• Sept. 4, 2001, The Gary Null Radio Show (nationwide syndicated radio show) on Generation 3 biotech (Hope Shand)

• Sept. 5, 2001, 2-hour roundtable discussion on the World Forum for Food Sovereignty; televised on Cuban television (Silvia Ribeiro)

• Sept. 6, 2001, BBC-TV interview on Generation 3 biotech (Hope Shand)


• Sept. 23, 2001, interview on biopiracy for IndyMedia Mexico, Mexico City, Mexico (Silvia Ribeiro)

• Oct. 9, 2001, interview on GM labeling, CBC TV digital network Canada-wide; debated with President of Canadian Federation of Agriculture (Pat Mooney)

• Oct. 15, 2001, Hope Shand interviewed for CASH magazine (Switzerland’s largest business magazine), Nr. 46, p. 37

• Oct. 16, 2001, Press conference organized by ETC Group along with other CSOs, World Food Day (Silvia Ribeiro)

• Oct. 17, 2001, Associated Press, Reed Lindsay, “Compesinos demand end to GM imports” (Silvia Ribeiro cited)


• Oct. 31, 2001, news conference on biotech issues, Italian Parliament (Pat Mooney)

• November, 2001, Hope Shand and ETC Group quoted in a Brazilian journal Super Interessante, “Floresta roubada” by Maria Fernanda Vomero, about biopiracy.


• Nov. 18, 2001, ETC Group cited in article, “Research grant killed in face of ‘biopiracy’ clash,” Athens [GA] Banner Herald


• Dec. 13, 2001, interview with Andreas Barufol from Swiss University researching on Novartis biopiracy cases, Mexico City, Mexico (Silvia Ribeiro)

2002

• AWARD: ETC’s work on biopiracy in Chiapas received a Project Censored Award

• Jan. 7, 2002, Pat Mooney quoted in Newark Star-Ledger article, “Getting out of the lab and into the world” by Barangay Dolores, about GE crops and developing countries

• Mar. 14, 2002, film interview with Anne Remiche, Belgium TV, on biopiracy (Silvia Ribeiro)

• Mar. 25, 2002, Silvia Ribeiro interviewed on biopiracy by Paola Erba, Italian journalist

• March 20, 2002, Silvia Ribeiro quoted on OneWorld.net article, “Genetic pollution: Biotech Corn invades Mexico”

• April 4, 2002, ABC Science Online-Australia, “Syngenta’s power over rice genome: What might it mean?” (Hope Shand on Syngenta and rice genome)

• April 5, 2002, Silvia Ribeiro quoted in Corpwatch.com article, “More on the Mexico GM maize scandal”


• April 8, 2002, Cropchoice, Online Farm News service, “Syngenta’s power over rice genome: What might it mean?” (quotes Hope Shand on Syngenta and rice genome)

• April 12, 2002 “A kernel of truth: Dubious research on genetically modified corn hurts real science,” Ottawa Citizen (ETC Group cited)

• June 13, 2002, Pat Mooney quoted in Associated Press article, Nicole Winfield, “Food Summit is a failure, say environmental, farmers’ groups” (St. Louis Post-Dispatch)

• June 28-30, 2002, McPlanet conference press activities (Silvia Ribeiro)

• July 6, 2002, Hope Shand quoted in New Scientist article by Philip Cohen. “Begone Evil Genes! When is GM food not really GM, when it’s been exorcised”

• Aug. 2002, Pat Mooney filmed for independent documentary “Field of Genes”


• Aug. 19, 2002, “Veteran Biotechnology Critics Calling for Moratorium on Nanotechnology Developments,” Simon Smith, Betterhumans


• Sept. 2002, Interview for Discovery Channel documentary on Human Performance Enhancement and nanotechnology (Pat Mooney)


• Sept. 28, 2002, appearance on “Down to Earth – Episode 1: Food,” South Africa talk show hosted by Ben Cashdan (Pat Mooney and Silvia Ribeiro)

• Sept. 29, 2002, News Conference organized by ETC Group, CBC, BBC, Norwegian National Radio, French TV and others (Pat Mooney and Silvia Ribeiro)

• Oct./Nov. 2002, Mother Earth News, “Genetically Engineered Food: Promises & Perils” (Hope Shand)


• Nov. 01, 2002, “Material witness: Nanotech nightmare,” by Philip Ball, Nature Materials


• Jan. 12, 2003, “Greens set to target Nanotech industry,” Benjamin Wootliff, Sunday Business (UK)


Jan. 30, 2003, Today Programme (BBC), special report by Tom Fielden

Jan. 30, 2003, BBC News 24 (TV), nanotechnology

Jan. 31, 2003 “Watchdogs say stop nanotech, start worldwide dialogue,” Candace Stuart, Small Times

February 2003, “Nanotechnology, are we moving too fast?” by Paul M. Bray, The Empire Page, Albany, USA


Feb. 5, 2003, “Bush’s proposed budget makes nanotechnology ‘a top priority,’” Doug Brown, Small Times

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