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Transgenic Wars

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> The march towards the dominance of genetically modified (GM) products in agriculture started 15 years ago but where will it end? Today in Argentina all agriculture is transgenic but after 15 years the weeds have adapted and the Glyphosate no longer works. In response farmers have started using hazardous chemicals in an indiscriminate and unregulated manner. In some areas the rate of serious genetic deformities in children has exploded. We meet the families and doctors convinced that living so close to GM farms is the cause. There is a one in two chance that the pork chop you had for dinner last night came from an animal that had been fed on transgenic soy. We visit the Danish farms where both the amount of the pigs born with deformities and the number dying from gastric diseases has dramatically increased. The animals are fed on a transgenic combo of GM soy that was treated with the herbicide Glyphosate. How has transgenic agriculture managed to conquer agriculture so quickly? Whilst the US government is beholden to the transgenic lobby many European countries have managed to hold out, but for how much longer will they be able to resist? (Source: Java Films)

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