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In this episode of *New Books in Environmental Studies*, Mohamed Gamal-Eldin interviews John Cardina, author of *Lives of Weeds: Opportunism, Resistance, Folly.*

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