# Monsanto Halts Launch of NemaStrike Chemical After Users Complain of Rashes

Monsanto halted the launch of NemaStrike, a chemical designed to be applied to crop seeds. On November 1st Monsanto pulled the launch, following reports that it caused skin rashes on people. NemaStrike, is designed to protect corn, soybeans, and cotton from worms that reduce yields. The company said it conducted three years of field tests across the United States in preparation for a full launch and that more than 400 people used it this year as part of a trial.

Monsanto called NemaStrike a "blockbuster product". It's another setback for the company that has been battling to keep other products on the market lately.

Monsanto said it conducted three years of tests across the U.S. in preparation for the product's launch. They say more than 400 people used the chemical, and some of the people reported skin problems.

> *There have been limited cases of skin irritation, including rashes, that appear to be associated with the handling and application of this seed treatment product." – Brian Naber, U.S. commercial operations lead for Monsanto.*

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