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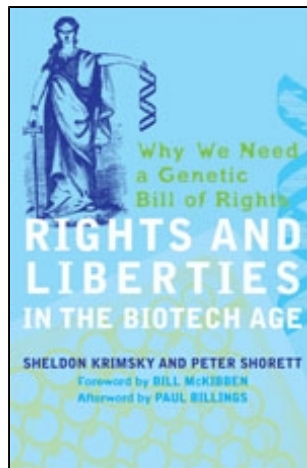
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Rights and Liberties in the Biotech Age: Why We Need a Genetic Bill of Rights

Edited By Sheldon Krimsky and Peter Shorett

Foreword by Bill McKibben

Rowman & Littlefield Publishers



Science is rapidly transforming our communities, our economies, and the natural environment. Corporations have rushed untested and unlabeled genetically modified food into the global marketplace. We are experimenting with species-altering changes to the human genome that may redesign what it means to be human.

Rights and Liberties in the Biotech Age argues for a set of principles to protect our individual liberties and communitarian interests against both the misuse and neglectful use of genetic technology. Building on the notion of a Genetic Bill of Rights, two dozen

leading scientists, scholars, and public interest advocates examine the challenges we face in governing the future of genetics.

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Paperback Price: \$26.95, plus shipping & handling (after 15% online discount).

Advance Praise for ***Rights and Liberties in the Biotech Age***:

"This book is a wonderful blend of the radical and the conservative. It is radical, and persuasive, in proposing a genetic bill of rights. It is conservative, and no less persuasive, in warning us to keep the genetic developments under close scrutiny and control. If we may need some of the genetic developments we no less need to be protected from some of them as well.

An impressive and needed book." - **Daniel Callahan**, The Hastings Center

"With chimerical experiments already underway that insert human brain cells into mice and pigs, and with bio-nanotechnology waiting impatiently in the wings, what we lack is a vigorous and spirited public forum in which to examine

and engage such developments. No more. The idea of a Genetic Bill of Rights is

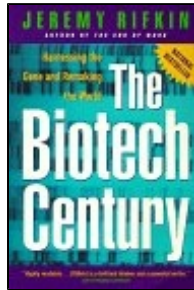
the provocative jump-start to a serious discussion of policy and action options." - **Troy Duster**, Institute for the History of the Production of

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Background Reading

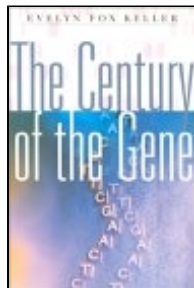


The Biotech Century: Harnessing the Gene and Remaking the World

By Jeremy Rifkin

"...Rifkin does have a gift for raising relevant issues and real concerns. We should indeed try to understand the powers we have before employing them and to work through the ethical issues they raise."

-- *The New York Times Book Review*

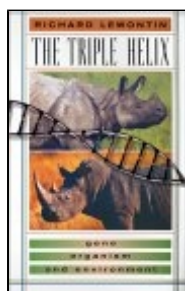


The Century of the Gene

By Evelyn Fox Keller

"Its coinage airily defined the word *gene* as "an expression for the 'unit factors'. . . demonstrated by modern Mendelian researches." It wasn't until the 1953 description of DNA that the little word's meaning solidified. Since then, Keller shows, it has deliquesced, because what a gene did and how it did it proved more complicated than anyone had anticipated."

-- *Booklist*



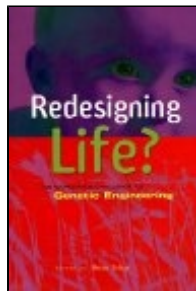
The Triple Helix: Gene, Organism, and Environment

by Richard Lewontin

"The time has come when further progress in our understanding of nature requires that we reconsider the relationship between the outside and the inside, between organism and environment."

-- From *The Triple Helix*

Genetic Manipulation and Cloning

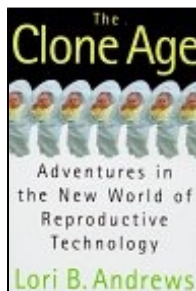


Redesigning Life: The Worldwide Challenge to Genetic Engineering

by Brian Tokar

"The book is a superb collection of essays chronicling the development of biotechnology and the social reaction it has caused."

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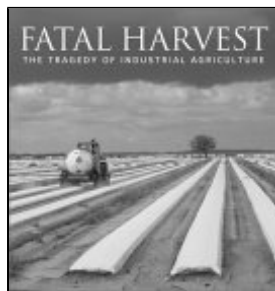
The Clone Age : Adventures in the New World of Reproductive Technology

by Lori Andrews

"Yesterday's science fiction is today's litigation, and nobody knows that better than Lori B. Andrews, an attorney specializing in genetic and reproductive technology. Her book *The Clone Age* is a personal look at the sweeping changes that have affected the way we think of making babies: in vitro fertilization (IVF), surrogate motherhood, and, of course, the very real prospect of human cloning."

-- *Amazon.com*

Genetically Engineered Food

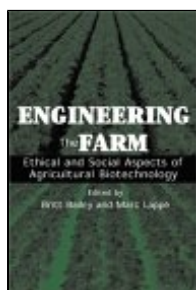


Fatal Harvest: The Tragedy of Industrial Agriculture

Edited by Andrew Kimbrell

"How and why has agriculture, an endeavor that for millennia involved intimate knowledge of and profound respect for nature and place, become so industrialized that it's wreaking havoc all around the world? And what can people do about it? ... Seminal thinkers ... make the distinction between agrarian and industrial agriculture, assess the treacherous divide between them, and chronicle the catastrophic unintended consequences of monoculture farming, genetically engineered seeds, and the massive use of toxic pesticides and fertilizers."

-- *Booklist*



Engineering the Farm: The Social and Ethical Aspects of Agricultural Biotechnology

Edited by Mark Lappe and Britt Bailey

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-- *Book News, Inc.*

Genetic Discrimination and Privacy



Genetic Secrets: Protecting Privacy and Confidentiality in the Genetic Era

Edited by Mark A. Rothstein

The dramatic explosion of information brought about by recent advances in genetic research brings welcome scientific knowledge. Yet this new knowledge also raises complex and troubling issues concerning privacy and confidentiality. This thought-provoking book is the first comprehensive exploration of these ethical, legal, and social issues.

Biological Warfare



Biological Weapons : Limiting the Threat

By Joshua Lederberg

The essays in this book, many of which were originally published in the *Journal of the American Medical Association*, examine the medical, scientific, and political dimensions of limiting the threat posed by biological weapons. The contributors consider the current threat posed by biological weapons, the history of attempts to control them, episodes in which biological agents have been used, Iraq's biological warfare program, and policies that the United States might pursue to reduce the threat.



Biohazard: The Chilling True Story of the Largest Covert Biological Weapons Program in the World -- Told from Inside by the Man Who Ran It

By Ken Alibek

"Alibek, who defected to the United States, describes the routine danger of his work: 'A bioweapons lab leaves its mark on a person forever.' An unending stream of vaccinations has destroyed his sense of smell, afflicted him with allergies, made it impossible to eat certain kinds of food, and 'weakened my resistance to disease and probably shortened my life.' But it didn't take away his ability to tell an astonishing story."

-- *Amazon.com*

Other Works of Interest



The Global Genome: Biotechnology, Politics, and Culture

by Eugene Thacker

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-Steven Kurtz, *State University of New York at Buffalo, Member,*

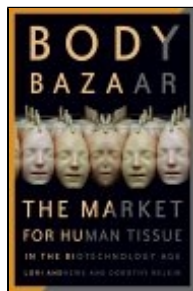
Critical Art Ensemble

**Making Genes, Making Waves: A Social Activist in Science**

by Jon Beckwith

"The actual practice of science is a human endeavor with the flaws and virtues of any human activity."

-- From *Making Genes, Making Waves*

**Body Bazaar: The Market for Human Tissue in the Biotechnology Age**

by Lori Andrews

"The dream of harnessing biology's regenerative powers for curative, life-extending and even cosmetic purposes has begun to become a reality.... But, the authors warn, this new and promising era has a dark side. People's tissues, cells and genes are increasingly being perceived as natural resources to be harvested and transformed into value-added commodities. And the economy that has evolved around this burgeoning industry threatens to wreak ethical havoc."

--*Scientific American*

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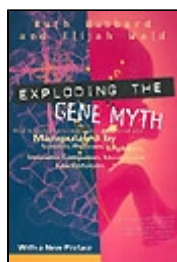
**Agriculture, Biotechnology and the Environment**

by Sheldon Krimsky and Roger Wrubel

\$18.95 + \$3 Postage

Sheldon Krimsky and Roger Wrubel explore the impact of genetic engineering on agriculture from scientific, social, ethical, and ecological perspectives. University of Illinois Press, 1996, 294 pages.

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**Exploding the Gene Myth**

by Ruth Hubbard and Elijah Wald

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Written by renowned biologist and CRG board member Ruth Hubbard with Elijah Wald, this book examines how genetic information is manipulated by scientists, physicians, employers, insurance companies, educators, and law enforcers. Beacon Press, 1999 edition, 200 pages.

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DNA On Trial

edited by Paul R. Billings

(hardcover) \$19.95 + \$3 Postage

This volume, edited by CRG board member Paul R. Billings, was created following a symposium held at the 1991 meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. It contains chapters on DNA typing, Descional Law and DNA Evidence, Statistical Issues, and Civil Liberties Impacts.

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