

# People's Survey on GM Rapeseed Growing Wild

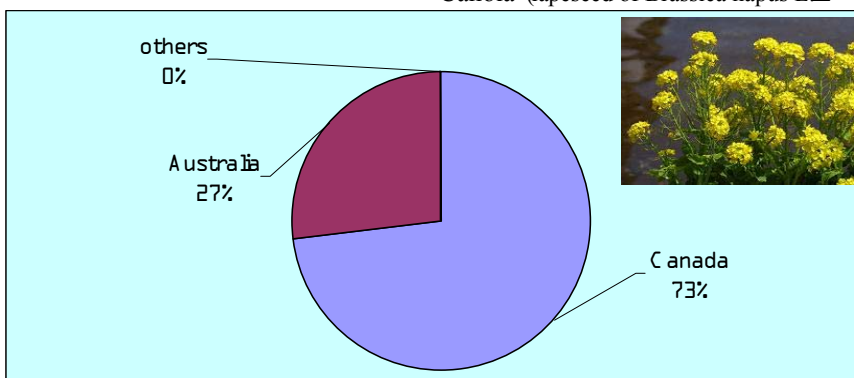


## No! GMO Campaign

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## Import of Rapeseed

Canola (rapeseed of *Brassica napus* L.)



- self-sufficiency rate of rapeseed: 0.05%
- about 80% of Canadian rapeseed is GMO

## GM Rapeseed from Canada Growing Wild in Japan



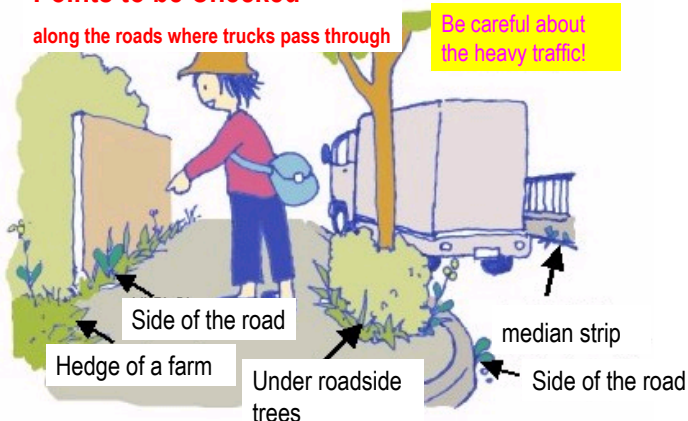
- No commercial planting (only small scale experiments)
- Spilt seeds growing wild at ports, along main roads, and other places.
- Concern over crosspollination with domestic vegetables (relatives such as turnip, Chinese cabbage, and so on)
- The government underestimates the problems → no effective control

## People's Survey on GM Rapeseed Growing Wild (1)

### Points to be Checked

along the roads where trucks pass through

Be careful about the heavy traffic!



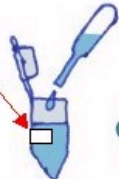
- People survey at ports and along main roads.
- Every spring since 2005, at more than 2,000 locations

## People's Survey on GM Rapeseed Growing Wild (2)

Be sure to indicate where the sample was taken.



Put water with a dropper.



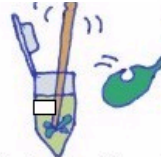
Use the cap to cut a small section from the leaf.



A small part of the leaf drops into the water.



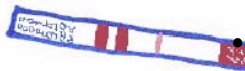
Prick the leaf with a toothpick until the water turns green.



Don't prick it too much in order to get precise results.



You will see a red line.



NON-GM



GM

□ a simple test kit can detect GM rapeseed within 5 minutes

Two red lines indicate GM positive

## People's Survey on Volunteer GM Rapeseed (3)



Rapeseed growing wild



Take samples



GM positive!



Put test paper into the test tube.

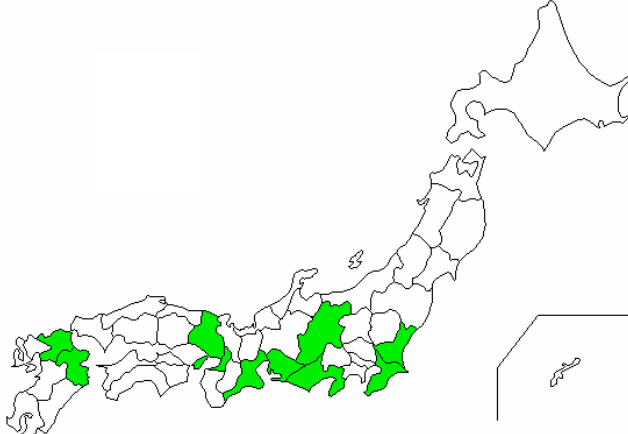


Put a sample into a test tube.



## Results of the nationwide GM rapeseed survey

positive reaction of GM-*Brassica napus* L



- Positive samples were found in 10 prefectures.
- Citizens' groups have been demanding strict controls from the government and the industry.

## Keep Australian Rapeseed GMO Free!



\*Australia is the biggest exporter of GM free rapeseed.

\*drought + demand for biomass energy—GM rapeseed grown in Australia?

\*We should continue to say “No!” to GMOs in support of GM free rapeseed in Australia.