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CAMI RYAN is the **Social Sciences Lead** with **Monsanto Canada**. In her position with Regulatory Policy & Scientific Affairs (RPSA) she is responsible for strengthening relationships with social, behavioral and political scientists. In this role, Cami leverages an expanding scientific network in North America and around the world to more closely examine and understand policy, regulations and acceptance of agricultural innovations. Cami holds a Ph.D. in Interdisciplinary Studies from the College of Agriculture and Bioresources at the University of Saskatchewan and a B. Commerce from Edwards School of Business. She has worked in the area of agriculture for over 20 years and, until this past fall, in academia for the past 15 years. Her research interests range from social network analysis, institutional analysis, innovation management and knowledge flows in research networks to, most recently, the influence of online activism on public perceptions, policy and markets.

Cami sole-authored one book (2008) and co-authored another (2013) and has penned [numerous articles in books and academic journals](#) such as *The International Journal of Technology and Globalization*, *International Journal of Technology, Knowledge and Society*, *Journal of Innovation Management*, *AgBioForum*, *Industry and Innovation* and the *Journal of International Law and Trade Policy*. Additionally, Cami has published works in a number of mainstream media publications and online forums including: *The Western Producer*, *The Huffington Post (Alberta)*, *The Winnipeg Free Press*, *RealAgriculture.com*, *AgWestBio Blog*, and *Biology Fortified*.

Education

Ph.D., (2007) Interdisciplinary Studies (Biotech Theme: Agricultural Economics, Business and Sociology), University of Saskatchewan

B.Comm., (2001) Edwards School of Business, University of Saskatchewan (Major: Biotechnology Management)

Academic Appointments

Professional Affiliate, Department of Bioresource Policy Business and Economics, University of Saskatchewan (2012 – present)

Professional Research Associate, Department of Plant Sciences, University of Saskatchewan (2009 - 2013)

Post Doctoral Fellow, Department of Political Studies, University of Saskatchewan (2008 –2009)

Post Doctoral Fellow, Faculty of Communications and Culture, University of Calgary (2006 – 2009)

Industry Experience

AgrEvo, Events coordinator/Executive Assistant – Biotechnology Department, Saskatoon, SK (1994 – 1997)

Prairie Plant Systems, Administrator/Marketing, Saskatoon, SK (1990 – 1994)

Freelance graphic artist, Saskatoon, SK (1987 – 1994)

Selected ‘Best of Blog’ & ‘Guest of Blog’ Posts (For more, click [HERE](#))

Why GMO Myths are So Appealing, Guest Blog Post for *Discover Mag Blog* (host: Keith Kloor), May 20, 2013.

From ‘I smell a rat’ to ‘When pigs fly’ – bad science is making its rounds, Cami Ryan (self-titled blog), June 12, 2013.

Scientific Evidence and Policy Making, Cami Ryan (self-titled blog), May 2, 2013.

Apathy and Online Activism: an impetus for science communication, Guest Blog for *AgWest Bio Blog*, January 26, 2012.

The Wizardry of ‘Oz’ – a peek behind the curtain of the anti-GM movement, Cami Ryan (self-titled blog), December 10, 2010 (re-posted on *Biofortified*).

Selected Mainstream Media Articles (For more click [HERE](#))

‘*Young Mothers Prove Powerful Force in Food Safety Debate*’ op-ed *The Western Producer*, March 20, 2014 Co-authored with Sarah Schultz.

‘*No Room in Science for Provocateurs*’ op-ed *The Western Producer*, November 23, 2013.

‘*Monsanto Court Case not about Save-the-Seeds Myth*’ *The Winnipeg Free Press*, February 23, 2013.

‘*Organic Food not Safer than Conventional*’ op-ed for *Western Producer*. Co-authored with Rob Wager. January 6, 2012.

Selected Media Interviews (For a more complete list click [HERE](#))

‘*Retraction Reaction – the Seralini Study*,’ *The Rob Breakenridge Show*, QR77-Calgary and 630/CHED-Edmonton, October 24, 2013.

‘*GMOs: safety and labeling*’ Televised panel debate. *CTV’s Alberta Primetime*. June 27, 2013.

‘*GMOs*’: Television interview, debate. *Calgary NOW, Shaw Cable*. March 7, 2013.

‘*PETA Peeves*’ Radio interview, *Rural Route* and “*Loos Tales*” (radio interview with Trent Loos), July 26, 2012.

Select Industry and Public Talks (For a more complete list click [HERE](#))

“The Art, Science and Alchemy of Social Media in Ag.” *AgriTrend’s Farm Forum*, Saskatoon, SK. December 4, 2013.

“Navigating Myths and Misinformation in Agriculture.” *Outstanding Young Farmers Forum*, Regina, SK, November 15, 2013.

“[Fifty Shades of Hype: myths, the media and misperceptions around the science of food and ag production.](#)” *CropLife Alberta Annual General Meeting*. Lethbridge, Alberta, February 28, 2013.

“Faith on the plate: navigating the hype around agriculture and food science.” Public Seminar. *Calgary’s Centre for Inquiry*. University of Calgary, Calgary, Alberta, January 26, 2013.