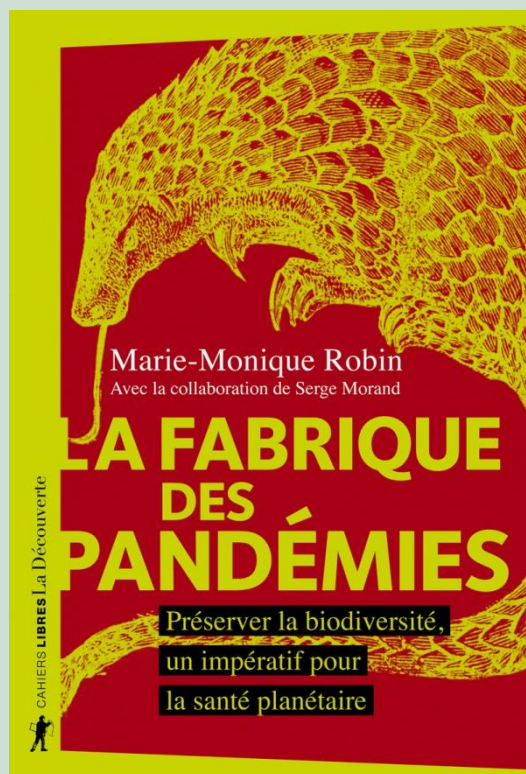




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Marie-Monique Robin: *La fabrique des pandémies*

Marie-Monique Robin, French journalist, author of *The World according to Monsanto* and *Roundup facing its judges*, and Justice Pesticides' Board Member, has just published "[*La fabrique des pandémies*](#)".

The Manufacture of Pandemics is not specifically about pesticides, but about the reasons for the emergence of more and more numerous and global epidemics of which the COVID 19 pandemic is the latest episode. And of course the increasingly intensive and pesticide-dependent agri-food production system is part of it.

The cocktail that favors the emergence of infectious diseases is well identified, documented and explained: deforestation, practiced on a large scale in the countries of the South to implant soy monocultures, which will feed the animals of European industrial livestock farms, or oil palm trees, which will feed the tanks of our cars; the fragmentation of tropical forests and natural spaces, caused by the development of the road network, dams and mining operations, but also by urbanization; and globalization, which encourages the displacement of billions of humans, animals and goods from one end of the planet to the other. All of these activities are causing ecosystem services to malfunction or even be destroyed, threatening the health of humans, animals and plants.

Other pandemics will follow. This is why, rather than the futile race for vaccines or the chronic confinement of the population, the only antidote is the preservation of biodiversity, which implies putting an end to the deleterious control of the dominant economic model on ecosystems.

Marie-Monique is preparing a film on the subject. To learn more or to contribute to it, visit <https://m2rfilms.com/la-fabrique-des-pandemies>

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