



Each year every acre of farm land is under attack by parasitic fungi and bacteria. For over 150 years farmers have been spraying fungicides to stem this tide. Leonard Gianessi will trace the story of our struggle against plant diseases, discussing the historical impact of fungi on western civilization, the development of fungicide technology, the social implications of agricultural pest control, the pesticide use practices of organic farmers, and the current state of agricultural fungicide use. *Spore Wars* provides a model for discussion of current environmental issues within context of society's needs for food production and resource conservation.

The Reviews Are In!

"Mr. Gianessi presents a perspective on agricultural pest management that reflects the realities of producing and abundant, high quality, economically sustainable food supply in the U.S."

Jay Vroom, President & CEO, CropLife America

"He is a great speaker- brings lots of strong information in an entertaining manner. You can get a feel for his approach from the title of his presentation 'Spore Wars'".

Nancy E. Foster, President & CEO U.S. Apple Association

"Spore Wars proves to be a valuable addition to any classroom, and Mr. Gianessi presents the information in a way comprehensible to majors and non-majors alike."

Dr. Gail Schumann, Marquette University

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