CS199 (Spring 2019): Assignment #2

Date handed out: April 5, 2019  
Date due: April 8, 2019 at the start of class  
Total: 15 points

Below are three articles from the popular press that discuss the relationship between herbicide-resistant GMOs and monarch butterflies. For this assignment, please read these three articles and turn in short answers (a few sentences or short paragraph) to the questions below. We will also discuss these questions and your answers in class.

Articles:
1. https://www.ewg.org/agmag/2016/03/gmo-linked-herbicide-may-doom-monarch-butterflies  

Questions:
1. List at least three possible causes of monarch population decline.  
2. Select one quote each from each of the three articles that pertains to the link between herbicide-resistant GMOs and monarchs. Then, discuss how strong of a link is being suggested based on the wording used in the quotes.  
3. These articles each refer (directly or indirectly) to published scientific studies, one of which we will read next. Given the context of these articles, what do you expect and/or hope to see when you dig into the studies themselves?