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Genetic conspiracy turns to fowl play

THIS is a worldwide emergency alert," screamed the press release that landed on *Melba's* desk yesterday from a Brisbane-based mob calling itself the People for Ethical Evolutionary Practices.

Ignoring for a second that there is nothing particularly ethical in evolution (the strong survive while the weak go to the wall, etc) PEEP is warning of a global conspiracy of truly, er, global proportions.

Apparently a group of multinationals, aided by the US military-industrial complex and the governments of Britain, France, Italy, Germany and Slovenia, have succeeded in producing a "virus" which can alter people's genetic make-up, programming them to crave certain products.

The virus, we're told, is planned for release during the Sydney Olympics via bottled water and soft drinks.

"Clandestinely operating for several years with facilities in three countries (that we know of), international scientists have been altering the genetic structure of poultry, specifically battery chickens, to turn them into addicts that crave certain commercial products," the release says. "Thousands of caged chickens have been used and sacrificed for this experimentation."

There's more, but *Melba* has suddenly developed a terrible thirst ...