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47" female 2008 Ultramel Cornsnake Het Caramel (therefore Gold Dusts can be reproduced by her). She is eating frozen/thawed adult mice. Her \$250.00 price includes Her price is below market value because she already laid eggs for us this year.

Note: Ultramel is the visual heterozygote of the the mutation, Ultra.

INTERSPECIES HYBRID

The founder (discoverer) of the Ultra mutation states that he originally paired a gray rat snake with a corn snake, in the discovery of this mutation. By the time most of us were made aware of the HYBRID origins of Ultra types (originally named *Ultra Hypos*), we had already bred it into many other corn snake mutations. It was therefore collectively decided that in so much as it would be virtually impossible to track down (and eliminate) each and every snake possessing a form of the Ultra gene (surely thousands of individuals in the collections of hundreds of breeders and keepers), the mutation would be treated like other pure corns. In so much as it generally did not alter the corn snake pattern, some breeders could be unaware they had it, while some could avoid mentioning it, if they did know. Those of you out there who are boycotting HYBRID corns are advised to avoid acquisition of suspicious-looking corns with the word ULTRA in the morph description. Likewise, purists

who *admirably* endeavor to promote only the genetically purest of corns are urged to question corns that have suspiciously abnormal features that are historically regarded as *hybrid markers*. *Not that all such markers are proof of alien origins*. Especially because of the difficulty and expense of formulating a DNA base line for all North American colubrid snake species, and in the absence of expensive DNA testing to identify the authenticity of pure corns, without obvious visual and/or genetic distinctions, identification of legitimately pure (or impure) corns is difficult at this time, if not completely impossible