

GMOinfo.EU brings you factual information on GMOs in your language

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Factual information about GMOs in Europe can be hard to find, especially in languages other than English. Instead there are a lot of misperceptions about a fascinating technology that has truly revolutionised food and farming in much of the developed and developing world.

This is why today EuropaBio, together with partners in 11 countries, is launching the <u>GMOinfo.eu website</u>, which includes important information about GMOs in 10 different languages.

GM crops are already benefiting millions of small farmers and their families in 19 developing countries¹. And Europe benefits greatly! The European Academies of Science confirm that "There is compelling evidence that GM crops can contribute to sustainable development goals with benefits to farmers, consumers, the environment and the economy."²

Today you will probably use something made with GMOs. From the clothes we wear to the crops we feed our animals, GMOs, such as GM cotton and GM maize and soy used in feed, have become the norm. And many new GMOs, from non-browning apples, to low acrylamide potatoes, and biofortified crops with healthier nutritional profiles, such as Golden Rice, have been developed.

Although Europeans contributed to the creation of the first GM crops, today a relatively small percentage of GM cultivation is located in Europe. That said, where GM maize is being grown here, it has been demonstrated to work effectively, and even significantly reduces naturally occurring carcinogens called mycotoxins. And around the world more farmers are growing GM crops than all EU farmers put together.

Isn't it time you checked your facts?

We hope you will enjoy this site and welcome you to browse through the news and many other relevant publications available on this website. Oh, and be sure to follow us on Twitter@GMOinfoEU!

¹ http://www.isaaa.org/resources/publications/briefs/52/infographic/default.asp

² https://easac.eu/publications/details/planting-the-future-opportunities-and-challenges-for-using-crop-genetic-improvement-technologies-fo/

For more information about GMOs and other biotechnological applications in Europe, we also invite you to explore EuropaBio's website and join us on Twitter and Facebook.

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