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Last weekend protesters gathered at <u>Rothamsted Research</u>, north of London, threatening to destroy a field of genetically modified wheat. In the event the protest, called <u>Take the Flour Back</u>, was relatively thinly attended, the police were out in force and it all ended peacefully. It's a far cry from the late 1990s when Friends of the Earth were launching dawn raids on experimental crops in anti-radiation outfits. Last weekend's campaigners wore T-shirts and looked like they were on a picnic. More significantly, when London Green Jenny Jones said she was going to join them, she provoked a <u>Twitterstorm of criticism</u>. It is beginning to feel as if the scientists are <u>winning the GM argument</u>.

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