## First man made, genetically modified species revealed

Professor Eduardo Moreno of the <u>Institute of Cell Biology</u> at the <u>University of Berne</u> announced the creation of the first known man made species in an article published in the open access peer reviewed journal <u>Public Library of Science</u> on July 25, 2012. Moreno genetically modified the <u>fruit fly Drosophila melanogaster</u> so that this <u>new species</u> <u>Drosophila synthetica</u> cannot reproduce with the naturally occurring species of fruit fly. <u>Drosophila synthetica</u> also has smaller, lighter eyes and the wing veins have a different structure than the natural species.

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