Tesco drops resistance to GM feed for poultry

The following is an excerpt.

Tesco has caved in to pressure from farmers and will allow the use of GM feed by its poultry producers, following the lead of Asda and Morrisons.

In recent weeks, UK poultry and egg suppliers had highlighted the increasing difficulty in guaranteeing the feed they used was entirely GM free, Tim Smith, Tesco group technical director and former CEO of the Food Standards Agency, said in a statement issued last night.

With 80% of the world's soya now genetically modified, less non-GM soya was being produced and there wasn't enough non-GM feed available, he added. Tesco was also concerned over potential contamination of non-GM crops by GM feed. "The new DNA testing regime we have put in place has identified that the risk of finding GM material in non-GM feed is increasing."

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