

## Trade barriers holding back the adoption of GM crops in East Africa

*The following is an edited excerpt.*

Agricultural biotechnology holds great promise in contributing to Africa's socioeconomic development. This is confirmed by a growing body of literature analyzing the positive economic effects at the farm level, and also for a growing number of farmers in Africa. However, with the exception of Burkina Faso, Egypt, and South Africa, the African countries have been slow adopters of biotechnology crops for cultivation.

**Read the original paper in its entirety here: [Trade and Tribulations: An Evaluation of Trade Barriers to the Adoption of Genetically Modified Crops in the East African Community](#)**